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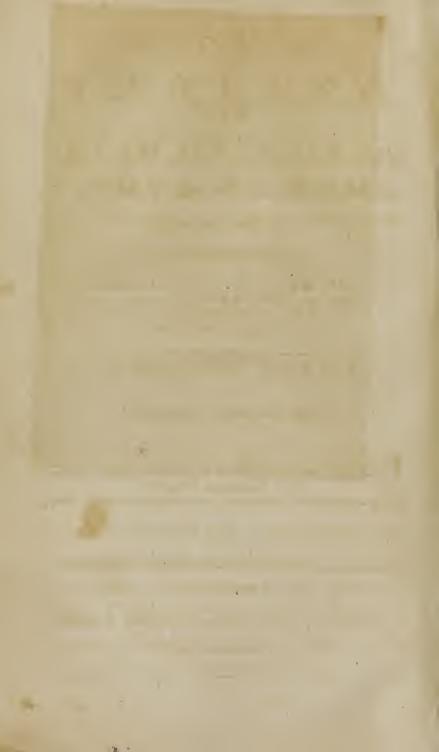


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PREFACE.

THE study of Anatomy, as it leads to the knowledge of nature and the art of healing, needs not many tedious descriptions nor minute dissections; what is most worth knowing, is soonest learned, and least the subject of disputes; while dividing and describing the parts, more than the knowledge of their uses requires, perplexes the learner, and makes the science dry and difficult.

This edition is a tenth part larger than the former; not increased by descriptions, but by observations upon the uses and mechanism of the parts, with operations and cases in Surgery.

The plates are more in number, larger, better defigned, and better executed than those which were in the former editions, which has unavoidably enhanced the price of this.

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ADVERTISE MENT.

SINCE the last Edition of this Book, I have published some Observations and Cases in Surgery, with Prints of Operations and a Set of Chirurgical Instruments. These are annexed to a Translation of LE DRAN'S Operations by Mr. GATAKER; and as some of them relate to my Anatomy, I thought it proper to take Notice of them here: At the same Time, in Justice to the Merit of Mr. LE DRAN, I would recommend a careful Perusal of his Book to all Practitioners in Surgery.

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GENERAL INTRODUCTION.

It is a received opinion, that an animal body is a compages of vessels, variously disposed, to form parts of different sigures, for different uses. The ancients supposed that the heart and brain were first formed, and that the other parts proceeded from them, and that the membranes were derived from the dura mater, or pia mater of the brain. They distinguished all the parts into spermatic and sanguineous; the former of which they derived from the brain, and the latter from the heart; and frequently engaged in disputes about the derivation of parts; with many other things of the like nature, consequences of their hypotheses. But the moderns, by the assistances.

ance of glaffes, having made more accurate observations, conclude, that all the parts exist in miniature, from the first formation of the fœtus; and that their increase is only the extension and thickning of their vessels, and that no part owes its existence to another. Thus much I thought necessary to premise, that the reader might see for what reason no notice is taken, in this treatise, of some distinctions and divisions of parts, used by ancient anatomists, and those who have copied after them.

The conftituent parts of the animal body, are, fibres, membranes, arteries, veins, lymphæducts, nerves, glands, excretory veffels, muscles, tendons, ligaments, cartilages, and bones; to these may be added, the hair and nails.

Fibres, as they appear to the naked eye, are imple threads of the minutest blood vessels or nerves, or both.

Membranes are compages of fibres, expanded to cover, or line, any other part.

Arteries are tubes that arise from the ventricles of the heart, and thence dividing into branches, distribute the blood to every part of the body.

Veins are tubes to collect and return the blood from the extremities of the arteries to the heart.

Lymphæducts are fine pellucid tubes, to carry lymph from all parts, especially the glands, which they discharge into the larger veins, and into the vasa lactea.

Nerves are fasciculi of cylindrical fibres, which arise from the medulla oblongata of the brain, and the medulla spinalis, and terminate in all the sensitive parts. They are the immediate organs of sensation.

A Gland fecretory, is composed of an artery, vein, lymphatic, excretory duct, and nerve. The use of glands is to secrete sluids from the blood, for divers uses.

Excretory vessels are either tubes from glands to convey the secreted sluids to their respective places; or vessels from the small guts, to carry the chyle to the blood vessels; these last are called vasa lactea.

Muscles are distinct portions of slesh, which by contracting, perform the motions of the body.

Tendons are the fame fibres of which the muscles are composed; but more closely connected, that they may possess less space in a limb, and be inserted in less room into a bone.

Ligaments are strong membranes, or bodies of fibres closely united, either to bind down the tendons, or give origin to the muscles, or tie together such bones as have motion.

Cartilages are hard, elastic bodies, sinooth and insensible: their use is to cover the ends of the bones that have motion, to prevent their attrivition, &c.

Bones are firm parts to fustain, and give shape to the body, &c.

INTRODUCTION

TO THE

B O N E S.

THE use of the bones is to give shape and firmness to the body, to be levers for the muscles to act upon, and to defend those parts from external injuries that are of greatest consequence to be preferved; as the brain, fpinal marrow, heart, &c. Their fibres, when first formed like the shells and stones of fruits, are very foft, until by the addition of a matter, which is fecreted into them, they grow by degrees to the hardness of a cartilage, and then perfect bone: But this change is neither made in a very short time, nor begun in all the parts of the same bone at once. Flat bones, that have their fibres directed to all fides, begin to offify in or near a middle point; but the cylindrical bones, and all others whose fibres are nearly parallel, begin about the middle of each fibre, and thence shoot forth to their extremities; not always in continued lines, but frequently beginning new offifications, which foon join the former; and by the continual addition of this offifying matthe bones increase till their hardness resists a farther extension; and their hardness always increasing while they are growing, the increase of their growth becomes flower and flower, until they ceafe

to grow at all. In old and confumptive perfons, and fometimes in difeafed or wounded limbs, they decrease as well as the fleshy parts, though not so fast, because of their hardness. Sometimes the offifying matters flows out of the bones, and forms bony excrescences; and frequently in very old men it fixes on the arteries, and makes them grow bony; and when this happens to a degree, the arteries lose their power to propel the blood, until the extreme parts mortify. And though the cartilages and arteries are most subject to these changes, yet no part is fecure from them; for I have feen a large part of the muscular fibres of the heart itself perfectly offified. I have known one instance of a deficiency of this offifying matter, in the lower jaw of an adult body; where all that part on one fide, which is beyond the teeth, was of a fubstance between that of a cartilage and a ligament. In children that have died of the rickets, I have found the nodes on the bones foft, fpongy, and bloody, and in one subject several of them as limber as leather, and the perioftæum in some places many times its natural thickness; but the cartilages and cartilaginous epiphyses had no apparent alteration in their texture, though fome were fwelled to more than twice their natural diameters.

Every cylindrical bone has a large middle cavity, which contains an oily marrow, and a great number of leffer cells towards their extremities, which contain a bloody marrow. The

bloody marrow is also found in all spongy cells of bones. The use of the first kind of marrow, I imagine, is to foften, and render less brittle, the harder fibres of bones near which it is feated; and that the other marrow is of the same use to the less compact fibres, which the more oily marrow might have made too foft; and that for this reason there is less of the oily marrow, and more of the bloody, in young bones than in old ones. Every one of these cells is lined with a fine membrane, and the marrow in the larger cells is also contained in thin membraneous vesicles; in which membranes the vessels are spread, which enter obliquely, about the middle of the cylindrical bones, from fome of whose branches the marrow is fecreted, while others of them enter the internal substance of the bones for their nourishment; and the reason why they enter obliquely is, that they may not weaken the bones by dividing too many fibres in the fame place. If the bones had been formed of the same quantity of matter without any cavities, they would, if they were straight, be able to fustain the same weight: But being made hollow, their strength to relist breaking transversely is increafed as much as their diameters are increafed. without encreasing their weights; which mechanism being yet more convenient for birds, the bones of their wings, and for the fame reason their quills, have very large cavities. But the bones in the legs of all animals are more folid, being formed to fupport weight; and men's bodies being supported by two limbs, the bones of those limbs are therefore made more folid than those of quadrupeds. Infects, and most of the smallest animals, have shells instead of bones, like lobsters, which serve them also for defence; and the muscles, being inserted into the shells at a greater distance from the centre of motion of each joint than in animals that have bones, their motions are necessarily flower, stronger and more fimple. Therefore in this fort of animals, quickness of motion, where it is wanted, is procured by a number of joints, as may be feen in the legs of a flea; and variety of motions by joints with different directions, as may be observed in a lobster. In a fractured bone, in which the same kind of matter that offified the bones at first is thrown out from the broken ends of a bone, there is formed a mass of callous matter, of equal solidity with any part of the bone, and of equal or greater diameter, which will make the strength of the bone in that place greater than it was before; which is very convenient; for bones, when broke, are feldom or never fet in fo good a direction as that in which they were first formed, and therefore they would be more liable to be broke in the fame place again, and would be reunited with greater difficulty, and fometimes not at all, because the callus, being less vascular than a bone, it does not fo cafily admit the offific matter to flow through it to form a new callus.

Bones that are without motion, as those of the fcull, the offa innominata, &c. also bones with their epiphyses, when they meet, press into each other, and form futures, which foon difappear in those that join, while their offisic matter is foft; but those that grow harder before they meet, press more rudely into each other, and make more uneven futures, some of which in the scull endure to the greatest age: and sometimes while a bone is offifying from its centre, a diffant part begins a new offification, and forms a diffinct bone, which may happen to be of any figure. These bones are oftenest found in the lambdoital suture, and are there called offa triquetra. But the ends or fides of bones that are intended for motion, are hindered from uniting, by the cartilages which cover them; for when these cartilages are eroded, the bones very readily unite, and form an ancylofis.

The ends of all the bones that are articulated for very manifest motions, or that are not placed against other bones; are tipped with epiphyses or additional bones; which in some measure determine their growth and sigure; for if they had nothing to give bounds to them, they would shoot out like the callus from the broken ends of a bone that is ill set, and grow as ragged as the edges of bones which are joined by sutures; and sometimes epiphyses are made use of to raise processes upon bones for the insertions of muscles, as the trochanters of the thigh bones, where it would weaken

the bones too much to have processes raised out of their substance.

The fibres of bones, for aught that we can difcover from experiments or microscopical observations, appear to be connected to each other by the fame means that the parts of a fibre are connected, that is, by the strong attraction which belongs to particles of matter in contact; but this cohesion of fibre to fibre is not equal to that in the parts of a fibre, though very nearly. Indeed if it was, a bone would not be a structure of fibres, but one uniform mass, like that of any pure metal, the cohesion of the parts of which are every where alike. Nor are the parts of bones disposed into visible lamellæ, stratum super stratum, as many have painted: for though young bones may in some places be fplit into lamellæ, yet they not only appear one folid uniform mass to the naked eye, but even with a microscope, till we come to their inner spongy texture, which also appears uniform. Their texture, when first formed, is every where loose and fpongy: but as they increase, they become in many places very compact and denfe, which refults in great measure from the pressure of the bellies of the muscles, and other incumbent parts; as appears from the impressions they make on the surfaces of the bones, and the rough spines that rise on the bones in the interstices of the muscles, which are very remarkable in men who have been bred up in hard labour. In those parts of the flat bones

that receive but little pressure, the outer laminæ only become compact and dense, while the middle part remains spongy; but where the pressure is greater, as on the scapula and the middle of the ilium, they become, in an adult, one dense body or table, and are usually thinner in those places than in a child before it is born. The cylindrical or round bones, being pressed most in their middles, become there very hard and strong, while their extremities remain spongy, and dilate into large heads, which make stronger joints, and give more room for the origins and insertions of the muscles; and increase the power of the muscles, by removing their axis farther from the centre of motion of any joint they move.

All the bones, except fo much of the teeth as are out of the fockets, and those parts of other bones which are covered with cartilages, or where muscles or ligaments arise or are inserted, are covered with a fine membrane, which upon the scull is called pericranium, elsewhere periostæum. It serves for the muscles to slide easy upon, and to hinder them from being lacerated by the roughness and hardness of the bones. It is every where sull of small blood vessels, which enter the bones for their nourishment; but the internal substance of the larger bones is nourished by the vessels which enter obliquely through their middles, as has been before observed.

CHAPTER I.

SUTURES AND BONES OF THE CRANIUM.

• A SUTURE is made by the mutual indentation of one bone with another. Those which have proper names are here described; those which have not, derive their names from the bones they surround, and are known by them.

Sutura coronalis runs across the scull, from one upper edge of the sphenoidal bone to the other, and joins the parietal bones to the frontal.

Sutura fagittalis joins the parietal bones; begins at the os occipitis, and is continued to the os frontis, in children down to the nose; the os frontis in them being two bones, and sometimes so in adult bodies.

Sutura lambdoidalis joins the back part of the offa bregmatis, or parietal bones, to the upper part of the occipital: in this future are frequently obferved small bones called offa triquetra, and sometimes in other futures.

Sutura squamosa is made by the upper part of the temporal and spenoidal bones wrapping over the lower edges of the parietal bones.

Sutura transversalis runs across the face through the bottoms of the orbits of the eyes; it joins the lower edge of the frontal bone to the os spenoides, maxillæ superioris, ossa nasi, ungues plana, palati, and jugalia, or malarum.

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The scull being divided into many bones, is neither so subject to fractures, nor to have fractures so far extended, as it would have been were it composed of one bone only. This structure is also convenient for the offisication of the bones, as has been already shewn, and for the birth; because these bones not being perfect at that time, may be pressed together, and make the head less.

Ten of the bones of the head compose the cranium, to contain the brain and defend it from external injuries.

Offa parietalia, or bregmatis are two large bones which compose the superior and lateral parts of the scull; on the inside they are remarkably imprinted by the arteries of the dura mater.:

Os frontis makes the upper and fore part of the cranium; its lower parts compose the upper parts of the orbits of the eyes, where on its insides are impressed the volvuli of the brain, which unevennesses help to keep that part of the brain steady. In its middle above the os ethmoides usually arises a thin spine, which strengthens that part of the bone, it being otherwise weak from its statues. In some sculls this spine is wanting; but then the bone is usually thicker in that place, and from its middle, externally, goes a process which supports the bones of the bone is a small blind hole, through which suns a sent into the beginning of the longitudinal sinus of the dura mater; and on the upper

edge of each orbit, a fmall perforation, or a notch, through which nerves and an artery pass secure to the forehead; it has also a small hole in each orbit, near the os planum, through which passes a branch of the fifth pair of nerves. In the substance of this bone near the nose are two, three, four, and sometimes sive sinuses, which open into the nose; they differ very much in different persons, and are very rarely sound in children. These sinuses, and the spine in this bone, make it very dangerous, if not impracticable, to apply a trephine on the middle and lower part of the forehead.

Os esthmoides, or cribrisorme, is a small bone, about two inches in circumference, seated in the anterior part of the basis of the scull, being almost surrounded by the last described bone. It is full of holes, like a sieve, through which, it is said, the olfactory nerves pass, which I could never discover. In its middle arises a large process named crista galli: and opposite to this a thin one which in part divides the nose. The greater part of the laminæ spongiosæ in the nose belong to this bone.

Os sphenoides is of a very irregular figure; it is seated in the middle of the basis of the scull, bounded by the os frontis, ethmoides, vomer, occipitis, maxillæ superioris, offa parietalia, palati, malarum, temporum, and petrosa, which are parts of the sormer bones. In its inside next the brain is a cavity named sella turcica, which is bounded by sour processes called clinoides: under the two foremost

of which pass the internal carotid arteries, and from their outlides are continued two thin long processes upon that part of the frontal bone, which separates the anterior lobes of the brain from the posterior; opposite to the sella turcica is a process which makes part of the septum narium. On the outside of the scull adjoining to the upper jaw, are two processes of this bone on each fide, named pterygoides from which arise one on each side near the palate, which have no name. Over these pass the tendons of the pterygostaphilina externi muscles; and nearer towards the occiput, between these and the styloid processes of the ossa petrosa, arise two more small rugged processes; and under the fella turcica, in this bone, is a finus or two, for the most part, in adults, but in children only fuch a fpongy fubstance as is feen in the ends of fome of the bones. NICHOLS observes, this finus belongs properly to the os ethmoides. At the infide of the basis of the two anterior clinoid processes are two round holes, which are the first foramina of the scull; through these the optic nerves pass; almost under these, towards the fides of the fcull, are two irregular flits, named foramina lacera, or the fecond foramina of the fcull, through which pass nerves and blood vessels into the orbits of the eyes; and under these, towards the occiput, are two round holes, which are the third foramina, through which pass nerves to the face; about half an inch nearer the occiput are two more, of an oval figure, which are the fourth foramina. foramina, through which pass the largest branches of the fifth pair of nerves; and a straw's breadth farther two very small ones, called the fifth foramina, through which those branches of the caretid arteries enter that are bestowed upon the dura mater. Between this last described bone and the offa petrosa are two large rough holes, in which I have seen large veins; and from these holes, through part of the os sphenoides under the pterygoid processes, are small holes, through which pass arteries to the back part of the nose.

Offa temporum are fituated below the parietal bones, at the middle and lower parts of the fides of the fcull; they have each at their back parts one large fpongy process, called mammillaris, or mastoideus, and from the lower and middle parts of each a process which joins the offa malarum, named jugalis or zygomaticus.:

Offa petrofa lie between the former bones and the occipital bones, or are truly portions of the former bones, being never found separate in adult bodies. They have each on their outsides one long slender process called styliformis, and near the side of this process a foramen, which runs obliquely forwards into the scull, through which the carotid arteries pass to the brain; these are the sixth foramina, and one foramen in the inside of the scull leading to the organs of hearing, which are the seventh foramina. The ridge on the upper parts of each of these bones helps to keep the brain steady,

and are strong supports to the thin and flat parts of the fcull, which elfe would be exceeding weak. What remains of this bone belongs properly to a discourse on the organs of hearing.

Between the last described bones and the following bone are two large holes, which are the eighth foramina. Through these holes pass the eighth pair of nerves and lateral finuses; sometimes they are two on each fide, one for the nerve and one for the finus. To thefe we may add another very fmall one on each fide, through which pass the portiones duræ of the auditory nerves; and fometimes there is another for an artery.

Os occipitis makes all the back part of the scull: it is bounded by the sphenoidal, temporal, petrofal, and parietal bones; it has two fmall apophyses, by which it is articulated to the spine; near those apophyses are two small foramina, which are the ninth of the scull; through these pass the ninth pair of nerves; and between these is the great or tenth foramen, through which the medulla oblongata descends into the spine, the cervical arteries enter, and the cervical veins pass out. In the infide of this bone is a crucial spine impressed by the longitudinal and lateral sinuses: and on the outfide, opposite to the middle of this fpine, in some bodies, is an apophysis, and from that down to the great foramen a fmall thin fpine. The spines in this bone are of the same use with those in the os frontis, &c. viz. to strengthen it.

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The thinner parts of this bone are also defended by the muscles that cover them; which provision is very necessary, because we can least defend this part, and blows here are of worfe confequence than on any other part of the scull, because wounds in the cerebellum, which is underneath, are mortal. There are in most sculls a foramen behind each apophysis of the occipital bone; through which pass sinuses from the lateral sinuses to the external cervical veins: By means of these communications, as in all other communications of the finuses, the blood passes from those that happen to be furcharged by any posture of the head, into those that from 'the fame posture would have been almost empty. Such sculls as want these foramina have two finuses for the same purpose.

CHAP. II.

OF THE BONES OF THE FACE, &c.

OSSA nasi make the upper part of the nose; they form that kind of arch which is sittest to sustain such injuries as the nose is most exposed to.;

Offa malarum. These bones compose the anterior, lower, and outer parts of the orbits of the eyes; they have each a short process, which process joins the processure jugales of the temporal bones,

bones, and form arches which have been called

offa jugalia.;

Offa ungues are feated immediately below the os frontis towards the nose in the orbits of the eyes; whose anterior and inner parts they help to compose; and between each of them and the upper jaw is a foramin as large as a goose quill, into which the puncta lacrymalia lead, to carry off any superfluous moisture from the eyes into the nose.:

Offa plana are feated immediately beyond the foregoing bones, in the orbits of the eyes, and are near thrice as big. They are rather smooth furfaces of the os spongiosum, than distinct bones,

and are very often imperfect.

Maxilla fuperior is always described fingle, though it is manifestly divided by a suture which is scarce ever obliterated; it has two processes, which join the os frontis, and make part of the nose; and another, which joins to the cartilage of the feptum nafi.: Its upper and outward parts make the lower parts of the orbits of the eyes; its lower fide, all that part of the face under the cheeks, eyes, and nofe to the mouth, and two thirds of the roof of the mouth. A little below the orbits of the. eyes, in this bone, are two holes, and behind the dentes incifores one more, which divides into two, as it opens into the nose, on each side of the septum nafi. Between the posterior grinding-teeth and the orbits of the eyes are two great finuses, called antra maxillæ funerioris, which open in the upper

upper part of the nofe. And in the lower edge of this jaw are the alveoli, or fockets for the teeth. Part of the fides of these cavities, that lie next the nose, are only membranes which make the cavities like drums, perhaps to give a grave found to the voice when we let part of it through the nose; but brutes not needing fuch variety of founds, have these cavities open to the nose, and filled with lamellæ, which are covered with membranes, in which the olfactory nerves terminate, for a more exquisite sense of smelling than is necessary for men. Imposthumations fometimes happen in these cavities: The signs of this disease are, great pain about the part, matter in the nose on the side difeafed, stinking breath, and rotten teeth. Mr. COWPER first described this case, and the cure; which is performed by drawing out the last tooth but one, or two, or more if rotten; and through their fockets making a perforation, into the antrum; or if drawing a tooth makes a perforation, which fometimes happens, and perhaps gave the first hint of this cure, then that opening must be enlarged, if it is not fufficient to discharge the matter.

Offa Palati are two fmall bones that make the back part of the roof of the mouth, and a small part of the bottom of each orbit. Between the offa palati and os maxillare near the pterygoid processes of the sphenoidal bone, are two small foramina, through which arteries and nerves pass to the palate. Os Vomer is feated between the bones of the palate, and the sphenoidal bone. It is also joined to the process of the ethmoides, and part of the lower jaw. Its fore part is spongy, and is continued to the middle cartilage of the nose. This bone and cartilage are the septum nasi.

Os fpongiofum is usually treated as a distinct bone, though it is only the spongy laminæ in the nose, of the os ethmoides and offa plana, but chiefly of the os ethmoides, to which it always adheres. In considering these lamellæ as a distinct bone, we follow the ancients, who did not distinguish the bones of the scull only, as they are divided by sutures, but according to the differences of their texture, sigure, situation, or use. Thus they called these parts os spongiosum; a process of the temporal bone, joined to the os malæ, os jugale, &c.

Maxilla inferior is articulated with loose cartilages to the temporal bones, by two processes, named condyloides. Near these arise two more, called coronales, and at the inside of the chin a small rough processus innominatus. In the inside of this bone, under each processus coronalis, is a large foramin, which runs under the teeth, and passes out near the chin. In this foramen, the vessels pass that belong to the teeth; and in the upper edge of this jaw are the sockets for the teeth, which seldom exceed sixteen in each jaw; the four first in each are called incisores, the two next canini, the rest molares; the four last of these are named

dentes

dentes sapientiæ, because they do not appear till men arrive at years of difcretion. The incifores and canini have only one fingle root, but the molares more; the eight first, two; and the rest, some three, fome four, especially in the upper jaw; where also they are spread wider, because that jaw being more fpongy than the other, the teeth need more space to fix them. Each of these roots has a foramen, through which pass an artery, vein, and nerve, which are expanded in a fine membrane that lines the cavity in each tooth. These vessels and membrane are the feat of the tooth-ache. The teeth of children cast off while they are growing; but the fucceeding teeth arise in new sockets, deeper and larger than the former, for the jaws increasing faster than the teeth, must otherwise have lest chasms between them, fuch as are in the mouths of brutes; but where teeth are drawn in adult bodies, the fockets close, and new ones very rarely succeed.

CHAP. III.

OF THE BONES OF THE TRUNK.

THE bones of the trunk are those which compose the spine or chain of bones from the head down to the rump, the ribs and sternum, to which may justly be added the offa innominata.:

The fpine is composed of twenty-four vertebræ (each of which in a young child is three bones)

befides those of the os facrum and coccygis; feven belong to the neck, the first of which is called atlas, because it immediately supports the head; its upper fide has two cavities, into which the apophyses of the os occipitis are received; but these two cavities together, unlike all other joints, are laterally portions of concentric circles, by which means they are but as one joint, and fo fuffer the head to move eafily fide-ways, which otherwise it could no more do than the knee, which also has two heads and two cavities. The under fide of this bone has a very flat articulation with the next, which fits it for a rotatory motion. The fecond vertebra is called dentata, or axis, from a process which passes through the former bone, and is the axis upon which it turns; neverthelefs all the vertebræ of the neck contribute fomething to the rotatory motion of the head. The processus dentatus is strongly tied to the os occipitis, and to the atlas by ligaments to prevent its hurting the spinal marrow. - Twelve of which belong to the back, five to the loins. The os facrum is fometimes five, fometime fix bones, and the os occygis four .: If this chain had been composed of fewer bones, they must have either not been capable of bending fo much as they do, or have bent more in each joint, which would have pressed the spinal marrow, the ill confequences of which 'are fufficiently feen in perfons grown crooked, or who have had differtions from external accidents.

The uppermost vertebræ of the neck being fixed behind the centre of gravity of the head, the neck is therefore fo far bent forward, as that the last of these vertebræ (which has a firm bearing upon these of the thorax) may be exactly under the centre of gravity. Those of the thorax are bent backwards, behind the center of motion, to make room for the parts contained in the thorax; and that they might not be made too weak by the structure, they are formed for less motion than other vertebræ; and those in particular, which are bent farthest from the centre of gravity have the least motion. The middle vertebræ of the loins are again bent forwards under the centre of gravity, or near it; and from thence they go backwards to the os facrum, where being fixed to the offa innominata behind the centre of gravity, the articulation is therefore firm and without motion, and from thence the offa innominata are fo formed, as that their fockets, into which the thigh bones are fixed, where there is a free motion, are exactly under the centre of gravity. In brutes the spine is differently formed, according to the actions for which they are defigned.

In all these vertebræ, except the first, is a middle anterior spongy body, by which they are firmly articulated with a very strong intervening ligament; and from the middle of the hind part of each, except the first, stands a process named spinalis, and from every one a process on each side, called transversalis, and two superior, and two inferior short ones; by which the back parts of the vertebræ are articulated, named obliqui, superiores, and inferiores.

The fore part of the feven vertebræ of the neck, and two upper of the back, are flat forwards, to make room for the afpera arteria angula: The third and fourth of the back acute, to give way to the veffels of the lungs and heart, and bent to the right fide for the better fituation of the heart, which makes that fide of the breaft more convex than the other, and therefore stronger; which seems advantageous to the right arm, its motions depending upon the support it receives from the breaft. Hence, I think, it seems, that the almost universal preference of that arm is not an arbitrary thing, but sounded upon observation, that it is capable of more perfect actions than the other.

The spinal processes of the second, third, fourth, and sifth vertebræ of the neck are forked, the two last long and horizontal, the three or four upper ones of the back like them, only a little declining, the middle ones of the back run obliquely downwards, and the processes of the remaining vertebræ become successively thicker, stronger, and less declining; those of the loins being horizontal, like the last of the neck. The muscles, that are inserted into the spinal processes of the vertebræ of the neck and loins will act with more strength than those

of the back, because their processes being perpendicular to the spine, they are longer leavers: besides, those of the back almost touch one another, to prevent much motion, because it would interrupt respiration; but more motion being necessary in the neck and loins, their processes are made sit for it.

The transverse processes of the vertebræ of the neck are perforated, for the admission of the cervical blood vessels, and bowed downwards, and hollowed, for the passages of the cervical nerves. The eight or nine upper ones of the back receive the upper ribs; and the rest, with those of the loins, serve only for origins and insertions of muscles.

Os facrum has two upper oblique processes, some small spinal processes, and two foramina in each interstice of the bones it is composed of, both before and behind. Ossa coccygis have none of these parts.:

Through every bone of the spine, the ossa coccygis excepted, is a large foramen, which together make a channel through the spine, in which is contained the medulla spinalis; and in each space between the vertebræ are two large holes for the nerves to pass out.

It is worth confidering the provision which is made to prevent luxations in this chain of bones, such luxations being worse than any other, because of the spinal marrow which is contained within these bones. The bodies of the vertebræ are all in the

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fame manner connected by strong intervening ligaments or cartilages. In the neck the oblique proceffes of the received bone are wrapped over those of the receiving bone, which forbids their luxating forwards. The transverse processes, with a small apophysis of the body of the same bone, in like manner, fecure them from flipping backwards; and an apophysis on each side of the body of the receiving bone, hinders them from flipping to either fide. The vertebræ of the back are hindered from diflocating forwards by the fame provision with those of the neck; and from luxating backwards, by the ribs which are fastened to the transverse proceffes of the inferior vertebræ, and against the back part of the body of the next superior: they also hinder them from diflocating to either fide; but the last ribs are not fixed to the transverse processes of the vertebræ of the back, and therefore it is that luxations are most frequently feen in this part; but the vertebræ of the loins are received into deep cavities, and are tied with much stronger ligaments for their fecurity. Each joint of the vertebræ, except the two uppermost, has two centres of motion, one upon the bodies of the vertebræ, when the trunk is bowed forward; and the other at the articulations of the oblique processes, when the body is bowed backwards; from which structure the extenfors will have about twice the leaver to act with, and confequently twice the power to raife the trunk into an creft posture, that they have to

carry it beyond that posture: for then the oblique processes begin to be the centre of motion, and give a like advantage to the benders. Without this contrivance it would be more difficult to keep the body erect, or to recover an erect posture with considerable strength after a bend of the body.

The ribs are twelve in number on each fide; the feven uppermost are called true ribs, because their cartilages reach the sternum; and the five lowest are called bastard ribs.: They are articulated to the bodies of the twelve vertebræ of the back, and all, except the two or three last, are articulated to their transverse processes, and the under fide of the middle ribs are hollowed for the paffage of the intercostal vessels. They defend the parts contained in the breaft, and when they are drawn upwards, the cavity of the breaft is enlarged for inspiration, and so the contrary. In two children, which I have diffected, I found the ribs broke inwards, and on the outside a very plain print of a thumb and fingers, occasioned by their nurses taking hold of their breafts, and hoisting them up on one hand, which being often repeated, had broke the ribs inwards like a green slick, without separating the broken ends of them. I have also very frequently feen the shape of children's breasts quite fpoiled by fuch tricks, which have occasioned weakness of body, crookedness, and other diseases.

Sternum, or breaft-bone, is generally made up of three fpongy bones, fometimes more; to this the

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fometimes in robust men have moveable joints, such as are seen in oxen and other quadrupeds. At the end of the sternum is the cartilago ensisormis, so called from its shape, but it very often is double; there is also frequently found variety in the form of the cartilages, which join the ribs and sternum; sometimes one cartilage serving two ribs, and sometimes a cartilage not joined to any rib; frequently in old persons we find parts of them offisied, and I have twice found them totally offisied in men between forty and sifty years of age, both of which died with a great difficulty of breathing; and besides, one had a jaundice, and the other a dropsy, but the lungs in both were very found.

• There are feldom found fewer than four and twenty vertebræ in the spine, besides the os sacrum, but often more; sometimes thirteen of the back, with as many ribs of a side: and sometimes six in the loins, and in some bodies two ribs from the sirft vertebra of the loins, but then it has wanted trans-

verse processes.

Os Innominatum is in young persons composed of three bones; the upper is named ilium, the lower and posterior os ischii, and the anterior os pubis: the upper edge of the ilium is called its spine, the anterior part of the spine its apex, and a little lower is the processes innominatus. Ilium has two processus, the one named the obtuse process, and the other the acute; in the centre of

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these bones is the acetabulum or socket for the thigh bone; in the bottom of which socket is another cavity, in which lies the lubricating gland of this joint. When impostumations happen in this joint they usually cause a great swelling and lameness in the hip, which, in time, makes a collection of matter in the external part of the hip; however, this is not the only way it proceeds, for I have twice seen the matter in the joint make way through the bottom of the acetabulum into the pelvis of the abdomen; in these cases, when the patient went to stool, the matter, by straining, was pressed out through the external wound.

CHAP. IV.

BONES OF THE UPPER LIMB.

CLAVICULA is connected at one end to the sternum with a loose cartilage, and at the other to the processus acromion of the scapula; its chief use is to keep the scapula a sufficient distance from the breast, by which means the shoulders are hindered from coming near together, as they do in those quadrupeds which use their fore limbs only to walk on, and not as men do their hands.

Scapula is fixed to the sternum by the clavicula, but its chief connexion is to the ribs and spine.

fpine, by those muscles which are made also for its various motions; and in fuch quadrupeds as have no clavicles it is fixed only by muscles, whose actions give to this bone a great deal of that motion which feems to be in the joint of the shoulder. · The under fide of this bone is a little concave, partly to fit to the outer furface of the ribs on which it moves, and partly to give room for the fub-scapularis muscle. On the outside arises a large spine; the fore part of which is called the processus acromion, to which the clavicula is fixed. In men and fuch quadrupeds as have clavicles, and use their fore limbs like arms, this process and fpine are much larger and more prominent, not only for the better fixing the clavicle, but also to remove the muscles farther from the centre of motion, whereby they are able to move a greater weight. Near this process is another called coracoides, from whose extremity, with like advantage, arise two muscles of the arm; this process with the former and a flat ligament between them both, hinder the os humeri from being diflocated upwards. The fide opposite to the socket is called the basis of the scapula, and the lower edge costa inferior from its figure; which is thick, and like a rib to the scapula; but its upper edge being very thin, is improperly fo called in the human skeleton, though not fo in many quadrupeds. At the fore part of this edge, close to the coracoid procefs, is a femicircular nich for the passage of blood veffels.

vessels, which nich is joined at top with a ligament, and sometimes with bone.

Os humeri; its upper end or head, where it is joined to the scapula, is somewhat flat, and much larger than the focket which receives it. At the upper part are two processes for the insertions of muscles of the arms; between these processes is a long channel, in which lies a tendon of the bifeps cubiti. At the lower end are two confiderable processes, both formed to give origins to muscles of the wrift and fingers; and the flexors of these joints being much more confiderable than the extenfors, the inner process from which the flexors arise is therefore much larger than the outer, from which the extensors take their origins: between these processes is the joint. That part to which the upper end of the radius is fixed, is fitted not only for the motion of the elbow, but also for the rotatory motion of the radius; the rest of this joint is made of portions of unequal, but concentric circles, like the shanks of quadrupeds; which inequality prevents the ulna from diflocating fideways, which fo fmall a joint with fo much motion would be very subject to. Of a like use is the little finus on the fore part of the humerus, and the large one behind; the first of which receives a process of the ulna when the arm is bent, and the other, the olecranon, when the arm is extended.

Ulna: at the upper end it has one large procels called olecranon, and a small process on the fore part; and on one fide between these is also a small cavity, which receives the upper end of the radius for its rotatory motion; and down the side of this bone, next the radius, is a sharp edge, from which the ligament arises, which connects those bones together. At the lower end is a process, called styliformis, and a round head, which is received into the radius for the rotatory motion of the cubit.:

Radius: its upper end is received into the ulna, and joined to the humerus, in a manner chiefly fitted for its rotatory motion, for the strength of the elbow joint receives but little advantage from the union of these two bones. A little below this head is a large tubercle, into which the biceps muscle is inserted, which by the advantage of this insertion turns the cubit supine, as well as bends it. At the lower end, which is thicker, is a focket to receive the carpus, and at the fide next the ulna a fmall one to receive that bone, and a thin edge, into which the transverse ligament, which arises from the ulna, is inferted. This ligament ties these bones conveniently and firmly together: for the ulna being chiefly articulated to the os humeri, and the radius to the carpus, a weight at the hand, without this ligament, would be liable to pull these bones afunder.

Of the bones of the hand: Carpus is composed of eight bones of very irregular forms, undoubtedly the properest that can be; yet why in these forms

forms, rather than any other, no one has been able to fhew.: They have all obscure motions one with another, and with those of the metacarpus; but the motion of those of the first rank, or order, with those of the second is more considerable, and are moved by the same muscles which move the carpus on the radius. The metacarpus confifts of four bones which fuftain the fingers; that of the fore-finger having the least motion, and that of the little one the most: the other ends of these bones have round heads for the articulations of the fingers; but the other joints of the fingers double heads and fockets. The thumb is shorter and stronger than any of the fingers, because in its actions it is to refift them all. The first joint is very fingular, each bone receiving and being equally received. The bones of the fingers on the infide are flat and a little hollow, which is neceffary to make room for the flexors of the fingers, and to render their shape proper for grasping; but this leffening their diameters, and confequently weakening them in the direction in which they are most liable to be broke, such inconvenience is provided against by a larger substance.

CHAP. V.

Bones of the lower Limb.

OS Femoris at its upper end has a round head which is received into the focket of the os innominatum.: In most quadrupeds this head is oblong, and makes a firmer articulation; but that shape will not allow of fo much motion as a rounder head. The two processes near the head are called the greater and leffer trochanters, which are evidently formed for the infertion of muscles, as the neck which lies between these and the head, is formed to make room for that necessary quantity of muscles which are seated on the inside of the thigh, and also by projecting outwards to make long levers for the muscles, which are inserted into its upper and external parts. Between the great trochanter and the neck is a large finus, into which muscles are inserted: between the two trochanters is a remarkable roughness for the same use, from which begins the linea afpera. The middle of this bone, for the conveniency of the muscles, is bent forwards, which would make it subject to break backwards, if there was not a strong ridge on the back fide, which strengthens it sufficiently, and ferves also for advantageous infertions for feveral mufcles; this ridge is called the linea afpera. · At the lower end of this bone are two large heads, called

called the outer and inner apophyses: these are so contrived, partly from being projected backwards, and partly from their shapes, as to remove the centre of motion very far behind the axis of the bone, which gives great power to the muscles that extend this joint to raise the whole weight of the body, though it lessens the power of the benders which move the leg only; between these processes the large vessels descend securely to the leg.

· Patella is feated on the fore part of the knee; its first appearance is in the centre of the tendon, through which it foon extends, until the tendinous fibres are loft, and appear to be converted into bone; however, when this bone is broke, the original tendinous fibres feem to prevail, feeing the broken parts, unlike all other bones when fractured, unite with a tendon-like fubstance, which is rarely converted into bone, and especially in those cases where the joint recovers with most motion: its use is to secure the extensors of the tibia, lest, passing over the joint, they might be too much exposed to external injuries; it also increafes the advantage (mentioned in the last paragraph) of removing the common axis of the extenfors of the tibia farther from the centre of motion, and is a most convenient medium for those muscles to unite in, to perform one common action.

• Tibia, the shin bone, is large at its upper end, where are two shallow sockets which receive the thigh bone; between these is a rough process, to

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which the cross ligaments of this joint are connected. Near the upper end is a process, into which the ligament or tendon of the patella is inferted, and at the lower end is the process, which makes the inner ancle, and secures this bone from dislocating outwards. Towards the upper end this bone is triangular, and even concave on the side next the muscles to make room for them; but lower, as the muscles grow less and tendinous, the bone grows rounder; that being upon the whole a stronger form; yet it is not made so strong as the thigh bone, though it bears a greater weight, which it is able to do by being straighter, shorter, and bearing the weight of the body in a more perpendicular direction.

- Fibula is feated on the outfide of the tibia; its upper end is joined to that bone below the joint of the knee, and its lower end is received into a shallow sinus of the same bone, and below that makes the external ancle; which process, with the process of the tibia, strengthens the ancle joint, which nevertheless, being so small, would have been not strong enough, if it had been made for more motion. It is doubtful to me, whether or not this bone contributes to the support of the body; but its great use is for the origins of muscles, and even its shape is suited to theirs.
- · Of the bones of the foot: Tarfus is composed of feven bones, the first of which, called astragalus, supports the tibia, and is supported by the os calcis,

calcis, which being projected backwards, makes a long lever for the muscles to act with, that extend the ancle and raife the body upon the toes.: These two bones have a confiderable motion between themselves, and the astragalus also with the os naviculare, and all the rest an obscure motion one with another, and with the bones of the metatarfus, the greatest part of these motions being towards the great toe, where is the greatest stress of action: thefe bones thus giving way are less liable to be broke, and, as a fpring under the leg, make the motions of the body in walking more eafy and graceful, and the bones which are supported by them less subject to be fractured in violent actions. To these join five others, called the metatarfal bones; that which supports the great toe is much the largiest, there being the greatest stress in walking; under the end of this lie the two fesamoid bones, which are of the same use as the patella; the great toe has two bones, the leffer three each, the two last of the least toes frequently grow together.

Children are fometimes born with their feet turned inwards, so that the bottom of the foot is upwards: in this case the bones of the tarsus, like the vertebræ of the back in crooked persons, are fashioned to the deformity. The first knowledge I had of a cure of this disease was from Mr. Prescrove, a professed bone-setter, then living in Westminster. I recommended the patient to him, not knowing how to cure him myself. His way was

by holding the foot as near the natural posture as he could, and then rolling it up with straps of flicking plaster, which he repeated from time to time, as he faw occasion, until the limb was reflored to a natural position, but not without some imperfection, the bandage wasting the leg, and making the top of the foot fwell and grow larger. After this, having another case of this kind under my care, I thought of a much better bandage, which I had learnt from Mr. COWPER, a bone-setter at Leicester, who set and cured a fracture of my own cubit when I was a boy at school. His way was, after putting the limb in a proper posture, to wrap it up in wrags dipped in the whites of eggs, and a little wheat flower mixed; this drying, grew stiff, and kept the limb in a good posture. And I think there is no way better than this in fractures, for it preserves the position of the limb without strict bandage, which is the common cause of mischief in fractures. When I used this method to the crooked foot, I wrapt up the limb almost from the knee to the toes, and caused the limb to be held in the best posture till the bandage grew fliff, and repeated the bandage once a fortnight.

The bones are subject to diseases from all the same causes that the other parts are, but either from their hardness, insensibility, or other causes, they neither are so frequently diseased, nor do their diseases appear so various; and it is generally of more consequence what texture the diseased bone, or part

of the bone is of, than from what cause that disease proceeded; for when diseases happen upon the surfaces of the hard bones, they usually admit a cure by exfoliation; but when matter is made in the spongy ends of the cylindrical bones, or in the bodies of other spongy bones, the matter, whatever was the first cause, infinuates itself through those spongy cells, swelling the bone, and making generally an incurable caries; but if the matter is corrosive, it often ulcerates these parts; and usually makes so large a discharge as to destroy the patient where the part diseased cannot be extirpated, which is often the case when matter is made in the bones in scrophulous habits.

The venereal difeafe rarely attacks any but the hardest parts of the bones, very foon raising large tumours and caries or mortification; but these carious parts of bones from this or other causes are but partially mortified; for, were they perfectly fo, the found and unfound parts would feparate, though the integuments were not taken off; whence it happens, that, where there is a good habit of body, carious bones are often endured many years without much inconvenience; and we find from experience, that fuch separations are not to be made till the diseased part is laid bare and perfectly mortified, by being exposed to the air, &c. and then the sound part underneath feparating from the unfound, there first granulates a fungous flesh-like appearance, which ought never to be treated with corrofive medicines,

it constantly shrinking and hardening of itself, being the same substance which shoots from the ends of broken bones, where also it soon shrinks and converts into a callus to reunite them.

There is a caries distinct from these, which I have only seen in two patients who died after a long rheumatic disorder, in which the outer surface of all the hardest bones, as the middle of the cylindrical bones, and the top of the scull, in one which I boiled, and in the other as far as I was allowed to examine, I found the outer part every where crumbly or scaly, falling into pieces like dust or sand, with very little appearance of tumour any where, and no appearance of disease in the spongy parts.

Sometimes matter is formed in the large medullary cavities of the cylindrical bones, which confiantly increasing and wanting vent, partly by corroding and rendering the bone carious, and partly by pressure, tear as under the strongest bone in an human body, of which I have known several instances. In one case where the matter had sufficient discharge by an external caries formed together with the internal one, all the internal hard part of the bone which contains the medulla was separated from the rest; and being drawn out through the place where the external caries made a vent, the patient received a perfect cure. In another case of this kind, where the internal part which contains the medulla was also separated from the rest, and there

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ed, but none sufficient to take out the exsoliated bone; the matter continued to flow in great quantity till it destroyed the patient; and possibly, if this case had been rightly known, the internal exsoliated part might have been taken out, and the patient cured. In both these cases, it seems as if only so much of the internal part of the bone was become carious, as receives nourishment from the artery which enters the middle of the bone; and as a caries is a mortification of a bone, might not this disease arise from a hurt in the vessel which nourishes that particular part?

CHAP. VI.

CARTILAGES, LIGAMENTS, &c.

EVERY part of a bone which is articulated to another bone for motion, is covered or lined with a cartilage, as far as it moves upon, or is moved upon by another bone in any action; for cartilage being smoother and softer than bone, it renders the motions more easy than they would have been, and prevents the bones wearing each other in their actions.

In each articulation of the lower jaw, there is a loofe cartilage, upon which the condyloid process moves on one side, while the jaw is moved to the

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other; and the two processes being thus raised at once; the jaw is thrust forward. These cartilages are also found in animals that chew the cud, but not in beasts of prey, as far as I have examined, their articulations being also deeper and firmer; and in the otter particularly, sections of the sockets, which receive the condyloid processes of the lower jaw, are more than half circles; so that the jaw cannot be dislocated directly without breaking the sockets. This structure renders the motions of the jaw more firm, as that with intervening cartilages makes it more loose and voluble. There are also cartilages of this kind between the clavicles and the sternum.

In the joint of the knee are two loofe, almost annular cartilages, which being thick at their outer edges, and thin at their inner ones, they make the greatest parts of the two fockets in this joint. The use of these cartilages is to make variable sockets to fuit the different parts of the lower end of the os femoris; for none but a round head and a round cavity can fuit in motion, unless the shape of one or the other alters; and it is plainly necessary, that this lower end of the os femoris should be flattish, and projected backward, to give advantage to the muscles that extend the tibia, by setting the centre of motion backward: which mechanism, though it equally lessens the power of those muscles which bend this joint, is yet of great service, because the extending muscles move this joint under the weight of the whole body, but the flexors only raife the legs; and as no head or focket moves fo eafily as round ones, here feems to be fome provision made against the inconvenience of a flattish head and cavity, by having the friction made upon two surfaces, the os femoris upon the loose cartilages, and the loose cartilages upon the tibia. This contrivance is practised by mechanics, where the friction of the joints of any of their machines is great, as between the parts of hook-hinges of heavy gates, and between the male and female screws of large vices, where they usually place a loose ring.

There are other cartilages which ferve to give shape to parts. Of this fort are the ciliary cartilages at the edge of the eye-lids, the cartilages of the outer ears, and those which compose the lower part of the nose, which have this particular advantage in these places, that they support and shape the parts as well as bones do, and without being liable to be broke; and to these might be added those of the larynx, but they do not belong properly to the skeleton.

Bones that are articulated for motion are tied together by very strong ligaments, to prevent their dislocating, which also surround the joints to contain their lubricating mucus. The thickness and strength of these ligaments are proportioned to the actions of the several joints, and their lengths are no more than sufficient to allow a proper quantity of motion; but the forms of them are different according to the different actions of the feveral joints.

The bones of the limbs that move to all fides have ligaments like purfes, which arise from or near the edges of the fockets of the receiving bones, and are inferted all round the received bones a little below their heads. The beginnings of these ligaments, from the edges of the fockets of the fcapula and os innominatum, are very hard, almost cartilaginous, which ferves in the fcapula to make a larger focket, and fuch an one as will alter the figure as the bone moves, for the reason I have mentioned in the loofe cartilage of the knee: for the head of the os humeri not being an exact portion of a sphere, requires fuch a focket, and the hard part of this ligament of the focket of the os innominatum makes the focket deeper than the femidiameter of the focket, by which means the articulation is made ftronger without any hindrance to motion, because it will give way to the neck of the os femoris when it presses against it; and the thigh bone being more disposed to be dislocated upwards than any other way, the upper fide of this burfal ligament is made exceeding strong to prevent such an accident. From the lower edge of the acetabulum or focket of the os innominatum arifes a ligament about an inch long, called teres, or rotundum, which length is necessary for that quantity of motion which this joint has in human bodies; it also hinders the os femoris from diflocating upwards, but downwards it will fuffer it to go far out of the focket; but in brutes the head of the os femoris being oblong, and the cavity fuitable, there can be only a rotatory motion, which in effect will be very little more than that kind of motion which is called bending and extending; and this never removing the end of the head of the bone far in the focket, a fhort ligament is enough for it, and will better keep the bone in its place; and therefore it is that theirs is fo fhort. This ligament in men may also ferve to press the gland in the bottom of the acetabulum or focket.

The ligaments of those joints which admit only of flexion and extension, differ from the former in this, that they are much shorter and stronger at the fides of the joints, and thinner backward and forward. Besides these ligaments, in the middle and back part of the joint of the knee, are two very ftrong ligaments, which arise from a process at the end of the tibia. They cross each other in such a manner, as is best to secure the joint from being displaced any way; they also hinder the extensors of the tibia from pulling that bone too far forwards, and are so connected to the semilunar cartilages, as to move them as the joint moves; befides thefe, in this joint is another finall one, which arises from the os femoris, and ends in the fatty membrane which it supports. The knee, I think, cannot be completely diflocated without breaking the cross ligaments: I have feen this case but once, the bone indeed was eafily restored to its place,

but to no purpose.

The bones of the carpus and tarfus are tied together by ligaments running promiscuously upon their furfaces from one to another; which at the under side of the tarfus are vastly strong, because they support the whole body; these ligaments together contain the mucus for all those joints. There is also to the carpus a strong ligament, which runs from the sist hone to the eighth, and the process of the fourth bone: the proper use of this is, to bind down the tendons of the muscles that bend the singers.

The processus dentatus of the second vertebra is tied to the scull by a ligament, and kept close to the forepart of the first vertebra by another in that vertebra, that it may not bruife the fpinal marrow; and when either this ligament or process is broke, it makes that fort of broken neck which is attended with fudden death. All the bones of the vertebræ, and every joint that is without motion, and not joined by a future, as the offa innominata with each other, and the os facrum with the offa innominata, are joined by intervening ligaments, or, as they are commonly called, cartilages. offa innominata are also tied by very strong ligaments which run from the back parts of the spines of the offa ilia to the os facrum, and other ligaments which go from the os facrum, and os coccygis to the acute and obtuse processes of the offa ifchia:

chia: these ligaments serve also for origins of muscles. Towards the great foramen of the ossa innominata the acetabulum has a deep notch, from the one side to the other of which runs a ligament which completes the socket; this ligament is sometimes offissed: a ligament somewhat like this there is between the processes of the scapula.

From the edge of the ilium to that of the os pubis, runs a ligament which is contiguous to, and appears to be a part of, the tendons of the muscles of the abdomen; its use is to cover the iliac vessels as they descend to the thigh. Under this ligament, together with the vessels, I have often seen a rupture of matter, and, I think, sometimes of the gut, from the abdomen into the anterior part of the thigh, immediately below the groin: however, I dare affirm this to be a possible case.

It is generally agreed, that the ligaments are infensible, and the reason assigned is, that they would else be injured by ordinary motions. But they are much better contrived; seeing none of them, not even those which lie between the vertebræ, are subject to attrition; but the other, experience shews, are capable of very acute pains; there being not any thing our patients more grievously complain of, than collections of matter within these parts, or sharp medicines applied to them, when laid bare.

Every joint, where the bones are faced with a cartilage for a sliding motion, is furnished with small glands, which separate a mucilaginous mat-

ter for the lubricating of the ends of the bones, that they may move easily upon one another; and that there may be no waste of this necessary sluid, it is contained in the investing ligaments; which, for this very reason, are no where divided, except to communicate with the ligaments of the tendons.

These glands are generally seated in a little fat near the insertion of the ligaments, that they may be compressed by them when the joints are in motion; which is a proper time to have their sluid pressed out. The most considerable parcel of these glands, with their fat, are seen in the joint of the knee, and the largest gland of this fort is found in the sinus at the bottom of the acetabulum of the os innominatum, and is compressed by the ligamentum teres.

The diseases of the joints either happen from uicers in the lubricating glands, which, pouring out matter that cannot be discharged, foul the ends of the bones, or else from swellings in the ends of the respective bones. Either of these in time create excessive pain, which appears to me to be chiesly in the ligaments of the joints, notwithstanding what has been said of the insensibility of these parts. When a joint is much swelled and painful, without external inflammation, it is vulgarly called a white swelling, and more properly so than spina ventosa. It is sometimes in the beginning cured by evacuations, but when the limb wastes below the swelling, and the singers or toes of the limb

grow thinner at their joints, and lose their shape, the case then is absolutely irrecoverable. Sometimes the ends of the bones erode, then join together and form an anchylosis, which, though a severe disease of itself, yet it is often a remedy of one that is much worse. In like manner the bones of the hands and feet, when they are ulcerated, sometimes unite, and are thus preserved from total ruin. But there is one case of a white swelling that is amazing, where the pain is so great that we are forced to take off the limb, and yet neither find upon dissection the ligaments or glands diseased, nor matter in the joint, nor the bones carious, or any diseased appearance, except that the ends of the bones are a little larger and softer.

TAB. I.

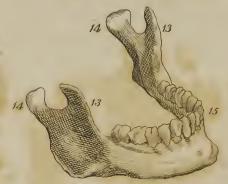
- A, The skeleton of a child twenty months old, in which all the bones differ in shape from those of an adult. The scull is much larger in proportion, and the bones of the limbs without those roughnesses and unevennesses which afterwards appear; their texture is every where more loose and spongy, and their outlines what the painters call tame and insipid; their extremities are separate and formed cartilaginous, which is accurately distinguished in the plates by the manner of graving.
- B, The thigh bone of a man, fawed through, in the middle of which is feen the cavity which contains the oily marrow, and at the extremities the leffer cells, which contain the bloody marrow. The white line across the head of this bone, beginning at the singers of the skeleton, is the place where the epiphysis and the bone are united. A like line, across the lower end of this bone, shews there the same thing.
- C, The os bregmatis of a fœtus fix months old, which shews the fibres offifying from the center to the circumference.











TAB. II.

- 1 Os frontis.
- 2 Os bregmatis.
- 3 Os temporis.
- 4 Os occipitis.
- 5 Os malæ.
- 6 Os maxillæ superioris.
- 7 Os nasi.
- 8 Os planum.
- 9 Processus mastoideus.
- 10 Processus styloides.
- 11 Processus pterygoides.
- 12 Dentes.
- 13 Processus coronalis.
- 14 Processus condyloides.
- 15 Dentes.

T A B. III.

- I Os frontis.
- 2 Os bregmatis.
- 3 Os occipitis.
- 4 Sella turcica.
- 5 A process of the os sphenoides, making part of the septum nasi.
- 6 A process of the os ethmoides, making part of the septum nasi.
- 7 Vomer.
- 8 Crifta galli, before which is feen in shadow the finus frontalis.
- 9 The cornua of the os sphenoides.
- 10 Sella turcica.
- 11 Os frontis.
- 12 Crista galli and os ethmoides.
- 13 Sinus frontales.
- 14 Sella turcica.
- 15 The fifth foramen.
- 16 Processus jugales.
- 17 Os petrofum.
- 18 Foramen magnum.
- 19 The outside of the os occipitis.













T A B. IV.

- 1 The fecond vertebra of the neck.
- 2 The transverse processes of the vertebræ of the neck.
- 3 Clavicula.
- 4 The processus acromion of the scapula.
- 5 Os humeri.
- 6 The ribs.
- 7 The transverse processes of the vertebræ of the loins.
- 8 The os facrum and os coccygis.
- 9 Os ileum.
- 10 Os ischium.
- 11 Os pubis.
- 12 Os femoris.







T A B. VI.

- I The head of the os humeri.
- 2 The outer extuberance.
- 3 The inner extuberance.
- 4 That part which joins with the ulna.
- 5 The olecranon of the ulna.
- 6 The lower end of the ulna which joins to the radius.
- 7 Processus styloides.
- 8 The upper end of the radius.
- 9 The tubercle.
- The part of the radius which joins with the carpus.
- 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, The eight bones of the carpus.

T A B. VII.

- 1 Radius.
- 2 Ulna.
- 3 Carpus.
- 4 The three bones of the thumb.
- 5 The four bones of the metacarpus.
- 6 The three bones of the fingers.







T A B. VIII.

- I The head of the os femoris.
- 2 The great trochanter.
- 3 The leffer trochanter.
- 4 The lower end which articulates with the tibia.
- 5 The upper end of the tibia.
- 6 The lower end of the tibia.
- 7 The process which makes the inner ancle.
- 8 The upper end of the fibula.
- 9 The lower end which makes the outer ancle.
- 10 The outfide of the patella.
- II The infide of the patella.

T A B. IX.

- 1 Aftragalus.
- 2 Os calcis.
- 3 Os naviculare.
- 4, 5, 6, Ossa cuneiformia.
- 7 Os cuboides.
- 8 The five bones of the metatarfus.
- 9 The two bones of the great toe.
- 10 The three bones of the lesser toes.









T A B. X.

A skeleton of an adult put into this posture to shew it in a greater scale. It was thought better not to sigure it, all these bones being explained in former plates, and the design of this being to shew them together, without being defaced with references.

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BOOK II.

CHAP. I.

INTRODUCTION TO THE MUSCLES.

THE muscles are moving powers, applied to perform the several motions of the body; which they do by contracting their length, and thereby bringing the parts to which they are fixed nearer together. The immoveable or least moved part any muscle is fixed to, is usually called its origin, and the other its insertion; but muscles that have their two ends equally liable to be moved, may have either called the origins or insertions.

Each muscle is made up of a number of small fibres, which BORELLI and others have thought

to be strings of bladders, and have endeavoured to account for muscular motion by an expansion made from an influx of blood and animal spirits into thesebladders; but as the muscles do not increase their bulk fenfibly in contracting, there needs no more to be faid to refute this hypothesis. But another great author thought that in this way the muscles might be contracted by a fwelling, scarce fensible, if the bladders were but very fmall: for, fays he, fupposing a bladder of any determined bigness can raife a weight a foot, a hundred bladders, whose diameters are each a hundredth part of the former, will raise the weight to the same height. But the force of inflation and the fwelling of all together will be ten thousand times less, and it will also raise ten thousand times less weight, which he has not observed; therefore not one such string of bladders, but ten thousand, must be applied to do the fame thing that the one bladder will do; and they will have the fame fwelling; otherwise it would be eafy to fhew how to make a perpetuum mobile of almost any force.

The muscles are of two forts, viz. rectilineal, and penniform. The former have their sibres almost parallel, in the same or near the same direction with the axis of the muscle; and the latter have their sibres joined, in an oblique direction, to a tendon passing in or near the axis, or on their outside.

The rectilineal muscles, if their origins and infertions are in little compass, are never of any con-

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fiderable thickness, unless they are very long, because the outward fibres would compress the inner ones, and make them almost useless; and therefore every rectilineal muscle, whose inner fibres are compressed by the outer, have their inner fibres longer than the external, that they may be capable of equal quantity of contraction.

The penniform muscles, though they are in a manner free from the inconvenience of one fibre compressing another, and though by the obliquity of their fibres, nothing is abated of their moment, (for in all cases, just, so much more weight as rectilineal fibres will raise than oblique ones, the oblique will move their weight with fo much greater velocity than the rectilineal; which is making their moments equal: fo that in the structure of an animal, like all mechanic engines, whatever is gained in strength is lost in velocity, and whatever is gained in velocity is lost in strength) yet the fibres of the penniform muscles becoming more and more oblique as they contract, their strength decreases, and their velocity increases, which makes them less uniform in their actions than the rectilineal mufcles; wherefore it feems that nature never uses a penniform muscle where a rectilineal muscle can be used; and the cases in which a rectilineal muscle cannot be used, are where the shape of a muscle is fuch as that the inward fibres would be too much compressed, or where rectilineal fibres could

not have a lever to act with, fuitable to their quantity of contraction, which is the case of all the long muscles of the fingers and toes. For every muscle must be inserted or pass over the centre of motion of the joint it moves, at a distance fuitable to its quantity of contraction, and the quantity of motion in the joint moved; for if it was inferted too near, then the motion of the joint would be performed before the muscle is contracted all that it can; if too far off, the muscle will have done contracting before the whole motion of the joint is made. And though the quickness and quantity of motion in a muscle will be, cæteris paribus, as the length of its fibres; (for if a fibre four inches long will contract one inch in a given time, a fibre eight inches long will contract two inches in the same time; and the strength of a muscle or power to raife a weight, cæteris paribus, will be as the number of its fibres; for if one fibre will raife a grain weight, twenty fibres will raife twenty grains:) nevertheless, two muscles of equal magnitude, one long, and the other short, will both move the fame weight with the fame velocity when applied to a bone; because the levers they act with must be as their lengths, and therefore the penniform and short thick muscles are never applied to a bone for the fake of strength, nor long fibred muscles for quickness; for whatever is gained by the form of the muscle, whether strength or quickness, must be lost by their infertions into

the bone, or else the muscles must not act all they can, or the bones have less motion than they are made for.

In the limbs feveral muscles pass over two joints, both of which are liable to move at once, with force proportionable to the levers they act with upon each joint; but either joint being fixed by an antagonist muscle, the whole force of such muscles will be exerted upon the other joint; which in that case may be moved with a velocity equal to what is in both joints, when these muscles act upon both at once. This mechanism is of great use in the limbs, as I shall shew in the proper places.

That only we call the proper use and action of any muscle which it has without the necessary affistance of any other muscle, and what that is in a muscle moving a joint we may always know in any situation, and with what force it acts, cæteris paribus, by dropping a line, from the centre of motion of the joint it moves, perpendicular into the axis of the muscle; but in a joint which admits only of flexion and extension, this line must also be perpendicular to the axis of motion in that joint, and the action of the muscles will be in the direction of that perpendicular line, and the force with which it acts in any situation will be, cæteris paribus, as the length of that perpendicular line.

Each muscle, so far as it is distinct, and is moved against any part, is covered with a smooth mem-

brane to make the friction easy; but where they are externally tendinous, those tendons are often fmooth enough to make fuch a covering needless. Besides this membrane there is another, known by the name of fascia tendinosa, which deserves to be particularly confidered. The strong one on the outfide of the thigh, which belongs to the fascialis and gluteus muscles, is of great use in raising the gluteous farther from the centre of motion of the joint it moves, to increase its force: in like manner the fascia detached from the tendon of the biceps cubiti alters its directions for the same purpose, but those on the outside of the tibia and cubit, &c., are only flat tendons from which the fibres of the muscles arise as from the bones. There are also in many places fuch tendons between the mufcles, from which each muscle arises in like manner; for the bones themselves are not sufficient to give origin to half the fibres of the muscles that belong to them; befides, if all the fibres had rife from the bones, they must have been liable to compress one another very inconveniently.

CHAP. II.

OF THE MUSCLES.

OBLIQUUS descendens arises slessly from near the extremities of the eight inferior ribs, the upper part of its origin being indented with the seratus major anticus, and the lower lying under a small portion of the latissimus dorsi. It is inserted slessly into the upper part of the spine of the ilium, and by a broad flat tendon (which sirmly adheres to a like tendon of the following muscle as they pass over the rectus) into the os pubis, and linea alba, which is a strong tendinous line extended from the os pubis to the sternum, between the musculi recti.

Obliques afcendens arifes fleshly under the former muscle from the spine of the ilium, and is inserted sleshly in the cartilages of the three lowest ribs, and by a flat tendon into the sternum, and linea alba, together with the tendon of the foregoing muscle. The line in which these two tendons join on the outside of the rectus muscle, is called semilunaris: and though so much of this muscle as is inserted sleshly runs obliquely upward, yet the middle and lower part is directed transverse and downward; and beside the tendon, which it unites with the obliques descendens, it often detaches another near the sternum to be inserted with the transversalis under the rectus.

Pyramidalis arifes from the os pubis, and is inferted into the linea alba, about three or four inches below the navel: this and its fellow are often wanting.

Rectus arifes tendinous from the os pubis, but fleshy when the pyramidales are wanting, and is inserted into the lower part of the sternum, near the cartilago ensiformis. This muscle is divided into four or sive portions by transverse tendinous intersections, that it might conveniently bend when the body is bowed forwards, though this muscle should be then in action; and these intersections are chiefly above the navel, where it is most liable to be bent: besides, being thus divided, its chief pressure will not be in its middle, but under the several bellies of the muscle, and the greatest below the navel, where is the longest sleshy belly of this muscle, and where the parts in the abdomen seem to want most to be supported.

Transversalis arises by a flat tendon from the transverse processes of the lumbal vertebræ, and sleshy from the inside of the ribs below the diaphragm, and from the spine of the ilium; then, becoming a flat tendon, it passes under the rectus to its insertion into the linea alba. Between this tendon and the peritoneum sometimes water is sound in great quantities, which distemper is called the dropsy in the duplicature of the peritoneum; which shews this membrane has been mistaken for part of the peritoneum.

These five pair of muscles all conspire to compress the parts contained in the abdomen. The obliquus descendens on the right side, and afcendens on the left acting together, turn the upper part of the trunk of the body towards the left, and vice verfa; but the trunk is chiefly turned upon the thighs; the recti bend the body forward, and pull the sternum downward in expiration; the two oblique muscles and the transverse on each side near the groin, are perforated to let through the proceffus vaginalis with the spermatic vessels. These perforations are distant from each other, fo as to fuffer the veffels to descend conveniently into the scrotum: this way the intestines or the omentum descend in ruptures.

Cremaster testis is a small portion of fibres which arises from the ilium, and appears to be part of the obliquus ascendens muscle, till it meets with the spermatic vessels at their coming out of the abdomen, where it begins to descend with them by the side of the processus vaginalis, to the testicle, over which it is loosely expanded. This muscle is too small to be plainly discovered in emaciated bodies.

Erector penis arises from the os ischium, and is inserted into the crus penis near the os pubis. It is said, by pressing the penis against the os pubis to compress the vena ipsius penis, and hinder the ressure of blood, whereby the penis becomes extended

tended and erect; but it does not appear to me to be well contrived for that use.

Accelerator urinæ. This, with its fellow, are but one muscle. It arises tendinous from the offa ischia, and sleshy from the sphincter ani; or, according to Mr. Cowper, from the superior part of the urethra as it passes under the os pubis: and thence, being expanded over the bulb of the urethra, it afterwards divides, and is inserted into the penis. The use of this muscle is not to accelerate the urine, for that is propelled by the detrusor urinæ, or muscular coat of the bladder, but to protrude the semen, which is done only by this: and it being seated opposite to the os pubis, it seems to be much better sitted to be a relaxer of the penis, by pulling it from the os pubis, than the erector is for the office assigned it.

Transversalis penis is that part of the former muscle which arises from the offa ischia.

Sphincter vesicæ urinariæ is a small portion of muscular fibres, not easily to be distinguished, running round the neck of the bladder to prevent the involuntary essuitant of urine.

Detrufor urinæ is the muscular coat of the bladder; its sibres are differently disposed; but chiefly terminating in the sphincer vesica, whereby it not only presses the urine forward, but, when the bladder is sull, becomes an antagonist to the spincer, acting almost at right angles.

Erector

Erector clitoridis arifes from the ischium, and is inserted into the crus clitoridis, like the erector penis in men, and is said to cause erection in the same manner.

Sphincter vaginæ is an order of muscular sibres, intermixed with membranous sibres, surrounding the vagina uteri near its orifice; it is connected to the offa pubis and sphincter ani; its use is to constring the orifice of the vagina, to press out a liquor from the glands of the vagina, and embrace the penis in coition.

Dr. Douglas mentions two pair of muscles of the vagina, of his own discovering, which I have never dissected, and will therefore give them in his own words; "The first arises from the inner edge "of the os pubis mid-way between the ischion and "the beginning of the crus clitoridis, is inserted in-"to the vagina; the second arises tendinous and "fleshy from the os pubis internally in common "with the levator ani, is inserted into the upper "part of the vagina at the side of the meatus urina-"rius or collum vesica."

Sphincter ani is a muscle near two inches in breadth, surrounding the anus to close it, and to prevent involuntary falling out of the sæces.

Levator ani, by Dr. Douglas called two pair of muscles, but Mr. Cowper describes the whole as one muscle only, which arises from the ossa is inserted round the lower end of the rectum intestinum.

Fisfulæ in ano, that are within this muscle. generally run in the direction of the gut, and may be laid open into the gut with great fafety; but those fiftulæ, or rather abscesses, that are frequently formed on the outfide of the sphincter, and usually furround it, all but where this mufcle is connected to the penis, cannot be opened far into the gut, without totally dividing the sphincter, which, authors fay, renders the sphincter ever after incapable of retaining the excrement. One instance of this kind I have known; but Mr. BERBECK of York, an excellent furgeon, and particularly famous for this operation, has affured me, that he has often been forced to divide the sphincter, which has made the patients unable to hold their excrements during their cure, but the wounds being healed, they have retained them as well as ever.

Coccygei arise from the acute processes of the ossis is is included in the ossis coccygis, which they pull forward.

Occipito-frontalis, is a muscle with four sleshy bellies, commonly named frontales and occipitales. It arises behind each ear from the os occipitis, and soon becoming tendinous, passes under the hairy scalp to the forehead, where it becomes broad and sleshy, adhering to the skin, and is inserted into the upper part of the orbicular muscles of the eyelids, into the os frontis near the nose, and by two processes into the bones of the nose. When this muscle acts from the back part, it pulls the

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Ikin of the forehead upward, and wrinkles it transverse, and in some persons the hairy scalp backwards; but when the fore part of it acts, it draws the skin with the eyebrows downward, and towards the nose when we frown. The tendon of this muscle has been mistaken for a membrane, and been called pericranium, and the true pericranium, periosteum.

Elevator auriculæ arifes from the tendon of the occipito-frontalis, and is inferted into the upper part of the ear that is connected to the head.

Retractor auriculæ arifes by one, two, or three fmall portions from the temporal bone above the mammillary process, and is inserted into the ear to pull it backward.

Orbicularis palpebrarum furrounds the eyelids on the edge of the orbit, and is fixed to the futura transversalis at the great corner of the eye; it shuts the eyelids, especially in winking. That part of this muscle that lies under the eyebrow is very much intermixed with the occipito-frontalis; and under it, from the os frontis near the nose, arises a small portion of distinct sibres which end in this muscle, and, I think, are a part of it: nevertheless, from the effect of their action, are not improperly called musculus corrugator.

Ciliaris is a very fmall portion of this muscle, next the ciliary cartilages of the eyelids.

Elevator palpebræ superioris rectus rises above the optic nerve, from the periosteum at the bottom of the orbit, as do also the five following muscles, and is inserted into the whole ciliary cartilage of the upper eyelid by a very thin flat tendon.

Elevator oculi arises from the bottom of the orbit, between the optic nerve and the foregoing muscle, and is inserted in the upper part of the tunica sclerotis of the eye, near the cornea.

Depressor oculi arises, and is inserted directly opposite the last described muscle.

Adductor oculi arises from the bottom of the orbit, near the optic nerve internally, and is inferted into the tunica sclerotis on the side next the nose.

Abductor oculi has both its origin and infertion directly opposite to the adductor.

Obliquus superior seu trochlearis arises between the elevator and adductor oculi at the bottom of the orbit, thence ascending by the sutura transversalis, becomes a round tendon, which passing through a pulley at the upper and inner part of the orbit near its edge, is inserted near the bottom of the globe of the eye, which it pulls upward and inward, and thereby directs the pupil outward and downward.

Obliquus inferior arises from the os maxillæ superioris, at the edge of the orbit; thence passing over the depressor is inserted near the ab-

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ductor at the bottom of the eye, but not so low as the infertion of the obliquus superior: it turns the pupil upward and outward.

These muscles are inserted with great advantage to move a fmall weight, and are very long, that the eye may be moved with fufficient quickness. The two oblique muscles are an axis to the motions of the other four, and acting strongly against them, which action I take to be what is vulgarly called straining the eye, may, I think, bring the crystalline humour nearer to the retina, and possibly may make the crystalline humour more flat to fit the eye for objects at a great diftance. For this end it feems to me that there are fix muscles thus disposed, when three might be fufficient to turn the eye every way, if it was in a proper fixed focket: and it feems also, that while the muscles are all thus in action, the superior oblique in each eye fets the pupil farther from the nose, while the inferior oblique directs it upward; the first of which actions is always necessary, and the latter often fo, when we look with both eyes at very distant objects; and when the two oblique muscles grow weak by age or disease, or cease to act at all, as in paralytic cases, and death, then the eye finks in the orbit. .

Sphincter, or constrictor oris, surrounds the mouth about three sourths of an inch broad. This muscle is very much intermixed with all the muscles that are inserted into it.

Elevator labii fuperioris proprius arises from the bone of the upper jaw under the anterior and inferior part of the orbicularis palpebrarum, and usually takes another small beginning from the osmalæ, which seems as if it was sent off from the orbicularis palpebrarum; and passing down by the side of the nose, into which it sends some fibres, is inserted into the upper part of the sphincer oris. This raises the upper lip, and helps to dilate the nostrils.

Depressor labii superioris proprius is a small muscle arising from the upper jaw, near the dentes incisorii, and is inserted into the upper part of the lip and root of the cartilages of the nose; hence it is also a depressor of the nose, which action constricts the nostrils.

Depressor labii inferioris proprius arises broad from the lower jaw at the chin, and is soon inferted into the sphincter oris; the order of sibres in this seems not so conspicuous as in the other muscles of the face.

Elevator labii inferioris proprius arifes from the lower jaw, near the dentes inciforii, and is inferted into the lower part of the lip.

Elevator labiorum communis arifes from a depressed part of the superior maxilla under the middle of the orbit, and is inserted into the sphincter muscle near the corner of the mouth.

Depressor communis labiorum arises laterally from the lower jaw near the chin, and is inserted

inferted into the sphincter opposite to the former.

Zygomaticus arifes from the anterior part of the os zygoma or malæ, and frequently derives a portion of fibres from the orbicularis palpebrarum, thence running obliquely downwards. It is inferted into the fphincter at the corner of the mouth, betwixt the elevator communis and buccinator; it draws the corner of the mouth outward and upward. When this muscle grows weak, the corner of the mouth finks, as may be observed in old persons.

Buccinator arises from the processus coronæ of the lower jaw, and passing contiguous to both jaws, is inserted into the sphincter muscle at the corner of the mouth. It serves either to force breath out of the mouth, or thrust the aliment between the teeth in mastication, or to pull the corner of the mouth outward.

Platysma myoides arises loosely from over the pectoral and part of the deltoid muscle, and running obliquely forward, is inserted into the chin, and depressor muscles of the lips. This muscle being exceeding thin, a mere membrana carnosa, serves to cover the unequal surface of the subjacent muscles, and render the neck even; it also pulls down the corner of the mouth, and, from its insertion at the chin, may contribute to the pulling down of the lower jaw.

Retractor alæ nasi is a very small muscle arising from the bone of the nose, and is inserted

into the ikin and cartilage at the fide of the nofe.

Mylohyoideus with its fellow may be esteemed one pennisorm or else a digastric muscle. It arises from the linea aspera on the inside of the lower jaw and processus innominatus, both sides meeting at about right angles in a middle line upon the following muscles. It is inserted by a small portion of sibres into the basis of the os hyoides; it moves the tongue upward and forward, and also compresses the following muscles, whereby they raise the tongue more commodiously, and also hinders them from drawing the basis of the os hyoides into a right line betwixt the chin and sternum at such times as the stylohyoidei cannot act.

Geniohyoideus arises from the processus innominatus of the lower jaw, under the foregoing muscle, and is inserted into the basis of the os hyoides which it pulls upward and forward. This, with its fellow, are for the most part but one muscle.

Stylohyoideus arifes from the processus styliformis, near its root, and passing contiguous to the horn of the os hyoides becomes inserted laterally into its basis. This muscle is sometimes perforated about the middle, by the tendon of the digastric muscle of the lower jaw. Its use is to pull the os hyoides up and backward.

Coracohyoideus arifes from the upper costa of the scapula, near the processus coracoides, and passing

passing under the mastoideus muscle becomes in that place a round tendon; thence passing almost parallel to the following muscle, is inserted together with it into the basis of the os hyoides; this draws the os hyoides downward, and a little backward. I have once seen one of these muscles wanting, and the sternohyoideus arising from the middle of the clavicle on that side.

Sternohyoideus arifes from a roughness at the under part of the clavicula near the sternum, and the cartilaginous part of the sirst rib; and is inserted into the basis of the os hyoides, to pull it downward.

Genioglossus arises from the processus innominatus of the lower jaw, and is inferted broad into the under part of the tongue, to pull it up and forward, and sometimes has a small infertion into the os hyoides.

Basinglossus seems a portion of the former musele; it arises from the basis of the os hyoides, and is inserted into the tongue nearer its tip.

Ceratoglossus arises from the horn of the os hyoides, and is laterally inserted into the tongue near its root, to pull it downward and forward.

Styloglossus arises from the extremity of the processus styliformis, and is inserted into the tongue near the former to pull it up and backward. I have very often found another styloid muscle so inserted, that I cannot tell whether to call it a muscle of the tongue or pharynx.

The tongue is a muscle made of fibres, longitudinal, circular, and transverse, so intermixed as best to serve its several motions.

Hypothyroideus or Ceratothyroideus, arifes from part of the basis, and the horn of the os hyoides, and is inscrted into the lower part of the cartilago thyroides, to pull it forward.

Sternothyroideus arises from the inside of the sternum, and is inserted with the former; it pulls

the thyroid cartilage directly downward.

Cricothyroideus arifes from the anterior part of the cartilago cricoides, and running obliquely upward and outward, is foon inferted into the infide of the cartilago thyroides, which it pulls towards the cartilago cricoides. Both this mufcle and its fellow for the most part appear double.

Cricoarytænoideus posticus arises from the back part of the cartilago cricoides, and is inserted into the arytænoides to pull it backward.

Cricoarytenoideus lateralis arifes laterally from the cartilago cricoides, and is inferted laterally into the arytenoides. This, with its fellow, pull down cach cartilage toward their origin, and thereby dilate the rimula.

Thyrogrytænoideus arifes from the fuperior, middle, and inner part of the cartilago thyroides, and is inferted with the former into the arytænoides cartilage to dilate the rimula. These two last described muscles are not naturally divided, and therefore ought to be accounted but one muscle.

Arytænoideus

Arytænoideus is one fingle muscle, which arises from one arytænoidal cartilage, and is inserted into the other, to draw them together, and close the rimula. These few small muscles of the tongue and larynx, with only one pipe, make a great variety of notes and sounds that can be made by artiscial instruments, and that in a manner so little understood by us, and by organs so little differing from those in quadrupeds, that, for aught we know of them, brutes might be as capable of all these sounds as men.

Stylopharyngæus arifes from near the bottom of the proceffus flyloides of the os petrofum, and running obliquely downward, is inferted into the pharynx. This muscle, with its fellow, pulls up and dilates the pharynx to receive the aliment.

Œsophageus arises like a wing from several parts of the scull, tongue, os hyoides, the cricoid and thyroid cartilages, and is inserted into the pharynx. This, with its fellow, constringes the pharynx, and presses the aliment down the gullet.

Musculus vaginalis gulæ is the muscular coat of the gula.

Pterygopharyngæus is not a distinct muscle, but the beginning of the pharynx near the processus pterygoides of the sphenoidal bone.

Pterygostaphylinus internus arises from the os sphenoides, near the iter ad palatum, or eustachian tube, and is inserted into the uvula, which

which it pulls up while we breathe through the mouth, or fwallow.

Pterygo-staphylinus externus arises by the fide of the last described muscle, and is also inferted near it; but becomes its antagonist by being reslected on a pully, over a process at the lower part of the pterygoidal processes of the sphenoidal bone.

Glosso-staphylinus is a very small portion of muscular sibres, which pass from the tongue to the palate, which it pulls down when we breathe through the nose.

The palate itself is a fort of double muscle, whose action seems only to support itself, and affift those muscles which pull it upwards.

Digastricus arises from sinus of the mammillary process of the os temporis, and, from a sleshy belly becoming a round tendon, passes through, and sometimes under, the stylohyoideus muscle; and then, being tied down by a ligament to the os hyoides, grows sleshy, and is so inserted into the anterior part of the lower jaw internally. This muscle's direction being altered by its being tied to the os hyoides, where it makes an angle, and not at its passage through the stylohyoideus, pulls the lower jaw downward with much greater force than otherwise it could have done; and being connected to the os hyoides, when it acts, it prevents the action of several muscles which are concerned in swallowing; whence it is that we cannot swal-

low at the same time that we open the jaw, as those brutes can whose digastric muscles are not connected to that bone.

Temporalis arises from the os frontis, parietale, sphenoides, malæ, and temporis, and, passing under the two processes named os jugale, is inserted externally into the processus coronalis of the lower jaw, which it pulls upward. This muscle is covered with a strong tendinous sascia.

Maffeter arises from the lower edge of the os malæ or zygoma, and the process which joins this from the temporal bone, and is inserted into the outer part of the angle of the lower jaw, which it pulls up and forward. These two last described muscles having different directions, when they act together, make a steddy motion in the diagonal of their directions.

Pterygoideus internus arifes from the proceffus pterygoideus externus, and from the finus between the pterygoid processes, and is inferted internally into the angle of the lower jaw, which it pulls upward.

Pterygoideus externus arifes from the os maxillare and os sphenoides, near the root of the external pterygoid process, and is inserted internally into the processus condyloides of the lower jaw, which it pulls to one side, and forwards, or acting with its fellow pulls the jaw directly forward.

Subclavius arifes from the fuperior part of the first rib, and is inserted into more than half the underside

underside of the clavicula next the scapula. Its use is to draw the clavicula toward the sternum, that they may not be severed in the motions of the

fcapula.

Trapezius arises from the os occipitis, and from a linea alba colli, from the spinal process of the last vertebra of the neck, and the ten uppermost of the back, and from a linea alba between all these processes; and is inserted into one third of the clavicle next the scapula, almost all the back part of the spine of the scapula, and as much of the processus acromion as lies between the spine of the scapula and the clavicle. This muscle draws the scapula directly backward.

It is generally faid by authors, that the feveral parts of this muscle, act at different times, and so pull the scapula different ways, as obliquely upward, downward, or backward; but, I think, if that happened, it must necessarily divide this muscle into distinct portions, those that contract always separating from those that do not.

Rhomboides arises tendinous under the former from the spinal process of the inferior vertebra of the neck, part of the linea alba colli, and from the spinal processes of the four or sive uppermost vertebræ of the thorax, and is inserted into the basis of the scapula, which it pulls up and backward. The upper part of this muscle arising from the neck, is, in many bodies, by the motions of the neck, separated and made a distinct muscle.

Elevator

Elevator scapulæ arises from the transverse processes of the four superior vertebræ of the neck, and is inserted into the upper angle of the scapula.

Serratus minor anticus arifes under the pectoralis, from the third, fourth, and fifth ribs, and is inferted into the proceffus coracoides fcapulæ, which it pulls forward and downward. This muscle is always said to be an elevator of the ribs, though it arises from the scapula, which is supported by the ribs.

Serratus major anticus arifes from the anterior part of the eight superior ribs, and is inserted into the basis of the scapula, which it draws forward, and by that means moves the socket of the scapula upward. This muscle has been always accounted an elevator costarum, though each portion of it is nearly parallel to the rib it rises from.

All the muscles inserted into the basis of the scapula are also inserted into one another.

Pectoralis arises from near two thirds of the clavicula, next the sternum, and all the length of the os pectoris, and from the cartilages of the ribs, and is inserted into the os humeri, between the biceps and the insertion of the deltoides. The use of it is to draw the arm forward. A small portion of the lower part of this muscle is often consounded with the obliquus descendens abdominis; and in some bodies, neither the upper part, nor its tendon, can be easily separated from the deltoides; and in others,

others, even that part of it that arises from the clavicula is a distinct portion. Near the infertion of this muscle the fibres cross those from below, ending above in the arm, and those from above below, that the tendon of this muscle might not lie inconveniently low between the arm and thorax, as it would have done had the fibres which arise lowest from the sternum been inserted lowest in the arm; but this crossing does not make the tendon at all stronger, as is often said; nor can I see how it came to be thought that this tendon should want more strength in proportion than other tendons.

Deltoides arises exactly opposite to the infertion of the trapezius, from one third part of the clavicula, from the acromion and, spine of the scapula, and is inferted tendinous near the middle of the os humeri, which bone it lifts directly upward. The outermost parts of this muscle, when the arm hangs down, lie below the centre of motion of the joint, and therefore can have no share in lifting the humerus up, till it is raifed part of the way by the other part of this muscle, and the following muscle: and as the outer parts of this muscle begin to act, the following muscle acts with less advantage: and it feems to me, that the fole reason why this muscle is made of so many parts, is, that they may act independently; for it is demonstrable, that this muscle, when the whole of it acts, cannot raise the arm with fo great advantage as a right lined muscle of the same magnitude would have done.

Supraspinatus

Supraspinatus arises from the dorsum scapulæ above the spine, and passing between the two processes, is inserted into the upper part of the os humeri, which it helps to raise until it becomes parallel with the spina scapulæ.

The fuprafpinatus, the deltoides, and coracobrachialis affift in all the motions of the humerus except depression; it being necessary that the arm should be raised and sustained, in order to move it to any side.

Infraspinatus arises from the dorsum scapulæ below the spine, and is inserted, wrapping over part of it, at the side of the head of the os humeri; it turns the arm supine and backward; for there is a prone and supine rotatory motion of the humerus of near ninety degrees.

Teres minor is a finall muscle arising below the former from the inferior costa scapulæ, and is inserted together with it. It assists the former in turning the arm supine, but pulls it more downwards.

Teres major arises from the lower angle of the scapula, and is inserted at the under part of the os humeri, about three singers breadth from the head. This draws the os humeri toward the lower angle of the scapula, and turns the arm prone and backward.

Latissimus dorsi arises by a flat tendon from the spinal processes of the seven or eight inferior vertebræ of the back, and those of the loins, saerum, and ilium: and growing fleshy, after it has passed the extensors of the trunk, receives another small sleshy beginning from the ninth, tenth, and eleventh ribs, and is inserted into the os humeri, with the former. This turns the arm backward, and prone. The tendon of this muscle serves for a membrane to the extensors of the back, and is connected to the transverse processes of the vertebræ lumborum.

Subscapularis arises from the hollow side of the scapula, which it sills up, and is inserted into the head of the os humeri, wrapping somewhat over it. This pulls the arm to the side and prone.

Coracobrachialis arises from the processus coracoides scapulæ, in common with the origin of one head of the biceps, and is inserted into the os humeri internally about its middle. This raises the arm, and turns it somewhat outward.

Biceps cubiti flexor arifes with two heads, that the fibres of this muscle might not compress one another, one from the processus coracoides scapulæ, in common with the coracobrachialis muscle, and the other by a round tendon from the edge of the acetabulum scapulæ, which passing in a sulcus of the os humeri, afterward becomes sleshy, and joins the first head to be inserted with it into the tubercle of the radius; and sometimes this muscle has a third head, which arises from the middle of the os humeri. This muscle lists up the humerus,

humerus, bends the cubit, and has as great a share as any one muscle in turning the cubit supine; the humerus being fixed by other muscles, the whole force of this muscle will be exerted upon the cubit; or the cubit being fixed by an extensor, the whole force of it will be fpent in raising the arm, and therefore ought to be always reckoned among those that raise a weight at arms length. A puncture of the tendinous expansion of this muscle is fupposed to be always attended with grievous pain and inflammation, and has, if we have not miftaken the cause, often proved mortal; yet many eminent furgeons have given inflances of larger tendons being cut and stitched, without any bad fymptoms; and we have often feen them cut, torn, ulcerated, and mortified, without any more fign of pain than in other parts. So that I cannot fee what the great mischief of pricking this tendinous fascia is owing to, unless its lying so much upon the stretch, which may be wholly avoided by bending the elbow, and turning the cubit prone. Since I have confidered this cafe, I have met with one who was thus injured by an injudicious blood-letter, who ordered the patient to keep her arm extended for fear of a contraction, and fhe was not without the most violent pain for a whole fortnight; but upon bending the cubit, and turning the arm prone, she grew prefently eafy, and, in a few days, well. Nevertheless, I am persuaded, that most of the accidents which

which are thought to be merely from blood-letting, are critical discharges of some disease, and from the puncture a fmall inflammation beginning, increases and suppurates. But however fingular I may be thought in this opinion, I can be fure I am difinterested in it, having never had any ill accident follow blood-letting in my life.

Brachiæus internus arifes from below the middle of the os humeri, and is inferted into a rough place of the ulna, immediately below the juncture. This also bends the cubit.

Supinator radii longus arifes from the lower and outer part of the os humeri, and is inferted into the upper fide of the radius, near the carpus. This muscle is not a supinator but a bender of the cubit, and that with a longer lever than either of the two former muscles, and is less concerned in turning the cubit supine, than either the extensors of the carpus, fingers, or thumb.

Triceps extensor cubiti, commonly distinguished into biceps and brachiæus externus. The first of these heads arises from the lower costa of the fcapula near the acetabulum; the fecond from the outer and back part of the os humeri; the third, lower and more internal; and are inferted into the processus olecranon of the ulna. The first of these heads draws the arm backward, with as long a lever as it extends the cubit.

Anconæus

Anconæus arises from the outward extuberance of the os humeri, and is inserted into the upper part of the ulna: this is also an extensor.

Palmaris longus arifes small from the inner extuberance of the os humeri, and from a short belly soon becomes a tendon, which is connected to the ligamentum transversale carpi, and expanded in the palm of the hand. This muscle is often wanting, but the expansion in the hand never; yet it being connected to the ligament of the carpus, it must bend the carpus, and cannot constrict the palm of the hand; and when it is wanting, the slexor carpi radialis is larger.

Palmaris brevis, or caro quadrata, arifes obscurely from the ligamentum transversale carpi, and seems to be inserted into the eighth bone of the carpus, and the metacarpal bone of the little singer. This helps to constrict the palm of the hand, and is very different in size in different bodies.

Flexor carpi radialis arifes from the inner extuberance of the os humeri, and foon becoming a ftrong tendon, passes through a channel of the sifth bone of the carpus, and is inserted into the metacarpal bone of the fore-singer. This not only bends the carpus upon the radius, but also the bones of the second order upon those of the first; which motion is nearly as much as that upon the radius.

Flexor carpi ulnaris arises from the same extuberance with the former, and a sascia betwixt this muscle and the tensor ulnaris contiguous to the ulna, and is inferted by a short tendon into the fourth bone of the carpus.

Extensores carpi radiales; the first arises from the os humeri, immediately below the supinator radii longus, and is inserted into the metacarpal bone of the first singer; the second arises immediately below this, from the outer extuberance of the os humeri, and is inserted into the metacarpal bone of the second singer. The first of these muscles is a bender of the cubit, as well as an extensor of the carpus, and its often acting with the benders of the cubit while the other is not in action, is the reason why it is so distinct from it.

Extensor ulnaris arises from the same extuberance with the former, and half the ulna below the anconeus muscle; then becoming a tendon, runs in a small sinus at the bottom of the ulna, and is inserted into the metacarpal bone of the little singer. See ULNA, p. 31, 32. The extensors of the carpus being inserted into the metacarpus, at once perform the motion between the bones of the carpus, and that between the carpus and radius. The slexor and tensor ulnaris acting together turn the hand downward, the tensor and flexor radialis upward.

Perforatus, or flexor fecundi internodii digitorum, arifes from the inner tubercle of the os humeri, and from the upper part of the ulna, and the middle of the radius; then becoming four strong tendons, passes under the ligamen-

tum transversale carpi, and is inserted into the beginning of the second bone of each finger.

Perforans, or flexor tertii internodii digitorum, arifes from half the ulna, and a great part of the ligament between the ulna and radius, then becoming four tendons, passes under the ligamentum transversale carpi, and through tendons of the former muscle to their insertion into the third bone of each finger. The tendons of both these muscles are tied down to the fingers by a strong ligament. If these muscles had not passed one through the other, the perforatus, which is the lesser muscle, must have gone to the last joint where the stronger muscle is wanted; and, besides, the tendons of the second joints would have pressed those that bend the last, and not lain firmly upon them neither.

Lumbricales, or flexores primi internodii digitorum, arife from the tendons of the last mentioned muscle, and are inserted laterally toward the thumb into the beginning of the first bone of each finger.

Extensor digitorum communis arises from the outer extuberance of the os humeri, and passing under a ligament at the wrist, is divided into sour tendons, which communicate upon the first joint, which keeps them from sliding off the joints of the singers, where they are a little connected to the first bones, and afterward are inserted into the beginning of the second bone of each singer.

Extensor

OF THE MUSCLES.

Extensor auricularis, or minimi digiti is a portion of the last muscle passing under the ligament in a distinct channel.

Extensor indicis arises from the middle of the ulna, and passing under the ligament of the carpus, is inserted with the extensor communis into the fore-finger. This muscle extends the fore-finger singly. I have twice seen it wanting.

Abductor primi digiti, interoffei, and abductor minimi digiti, are eight muscles, one for each fide of each finger. Abductor primi digiti arises from the first bone of the thumb, and the fide of the metacarpal bone of the first finger. The interoffei are three pair, fitly divided into external and internal; the external arise from the metacarpal bones, whose spaces they fill up next the back of the hand; the internal arife from the same bones, in the inside of the hand. Abductor minimi digiti arises from the transverse ligament, and fourth bone of the carpus; these muscles are inserted, two into the first joint of each finger, and then paffing obliquely over the tops of the fingers, are inferted into their last bones; they bend the first joints, and extend the two last, as in holding a pen, and in playing upon fome mufical instruments. The abductors of the fore and little fingers, with the fecond and fifth interossei muscles acting, the fingers are divaricated, and the other four acting bring them together, and these muscles which divaricate the

fingers,

fingers, being extenders of the fecond and third joints, we never can divaricate them without extending them a little.

Adductoroffis metacarpiminimi digiti arifes from the eighth bone and transverse ligament of the carpus, and is inserted into the metacarpal bone of the little singer, which it pulls toward the thumb to constrict the palm of the hand.

Extensor primi internodii pollicis arises from the ulna below the anconeus muscle, and the ligament between the ulna and radius; then becoming two, three, or four tendons, is inserted into the fifth bone of the carpus, and first of the thumb. The first of these insertions can only assist the bending of the wrist upward, and in turning the arm supine.

Extensor secundi internodii pollicis arises immediately below the former from the radius and transverse ligament, and is inserted by a few sibres into the second bone of the thumb, but chiefly into the third.

Extensor tertii internodii pollicis arises immediately below the last described, from the ulna and ligament, and passes over the radius nearer the ulna, to be inserted at the third bone of the thumb. This extends the thumb more toward the ulna than the former muscle, and is very much a supinator.

Flexor primi et secundi offis pollicis arises from the fifth bone and transverse ligament of the carpus, and from the beginnings of the two first metacarpal bones, and is inserted into the whole length of the first bone of the thumb, and tendinous into the beginning of the second; the sesamoid bones of the thumb in such bodies as have them, lie in this tendon, where it passes over the joint.

Flexor tertii internodii pollicis arifes large from almost ali the upper part of the radius, and becoming a round tendon, passes under the ligamentum transversale carpi, to be inserted into the third bone of the thumb. This muscle singly acting, draws the thumb towards the metacarpal bone of the little singer; but the last mentioned muscle acting with it, turns it toward the fore-finger.

Adductor pollicis arifes from the carpus, and almost the whole length of the metacarpal bone of the long finger, and is inserted into the beginning of the second bone of the thumb. This muscle naturally enough divides into two, and might better be called a flexor than adductor.

Abductor pollicis arifes from the fifth bone and ligamentum transversale of the carpus, and is inserted laterally into the beginning of the second bone of the thumb, to draw it toward the radius.

The muscles which bend the thumb are much less than those which bend the singers; nevertheless the thumb is able to resist all the singers, merely

therely from the advantages that arise from the thickness and shortness of the bones of the thumb, compared with those of the fingers; but then the quickness of motion in the fingers will exceed that of the thumb, as much as the fingers exceed the thumb in length, and their muscles those of the thumb in largeness.

Supinator radii brevis arises from the outer extuberance of the os humeri and upper part of the ulna, and running half round the radius, is inferted near its turbercle.

Pronator teres arises from the inner apophysis of the os humeri, and upper and fore-part of the ulna, and is inserted tendinous into the radius below the former.

Pronator quadratus arises from the lower edge of the ulna, near the carpus, and passing under the flexors of the singers is inserted into the radius.

These muscles are occasionally affisted in their actions by the muscles of the hands, the extensors affisting the supinators, and the flexors the pronators, and most of the extensors of the hand take a great part of their origin from the tendinous fascia that covers them.

Mastoideus arises tendinous from the sternum near the clavicula, and by a separate sleshy portion from the clavicula, which soon unites with the other beginning, and is inserted into the outer part of the mammillary process of the temporal bone. It pulls that side of the head it is inserted

into towards the sternum, and turns the face toward the contrary shoulder. This, and its fellow, pull the head and neck toward the breaft, and act, with a much longer lever upon each lower vertebra, than they do upon the next above, and with more power upon any of those joints than upon the head. This muscle being inserted into the head, beyond the centre of motion of the head with the first vertebra, has been supposed, by several anatomists, to pull the head backward; but the passing beyond signifies nothing to that purpose, unless a line going through its axis would pass below the centre of motion: and it is the more to be wondered how this mistake prevailed, if we consider that this muscle's being added to the extensors of the head and neck, would make the force of that action a hundred times greater than that of the benders. And if this is not enough to convince, let any one lying on his back raife his head, and he will foon feel this muscle in action; but bowing the head forward in an erect posture will not thew this, unless some resistance is made to the head, because the centre of gravity of the head lying before the centre of motion, there needs no more than a relaxation of the extensors, to bring the head forward in that posture.

Rectus internus major arifes from the anterior part of the transverse processes of the third, fourth sifth, and sixth cervical vertebræ; and passing over the two superior, is inserted into a rough-

mefs of the occipital bone near the fore-part of the great foramen. This bends the head on the two first vertebræ of the neck.

Rectus minor internus arises under the last muscle, from the first vertebra, and is inscreted under it into the os occipitis. This bends the head on the first vertebra.

Rectus lateralis arises from the anterior part of the transverse process of the first vertebra of the neck, and is inserted into the os temporis and occipitis between the mammillary and styloid processes. This turns the head on one side.

Splenius arises by a thin tendon from the spinal processes of the five superior vertebræ of the thorax, and the lowest of the neck, and linea alba colli, and is inserted into the os occipitis, the upper part of the mammillary process of the temporal bone, and the transverse processes of the three superior cervical vertebræ. This pulls the head and neck backward, and to the contrary side; but both of these acting together pull them directly backward.

Complexus arifes from the transverse processes of the six or seven superior vertebræ of the thorax; and six inferior of the neck, and is inserted into the os occipitis, and back part of the os temporis; this last part is sometimes distinct enough to be accounted another muscle. It pulls the head and neck back.

Rectus major posticus arises from the spinal processes of the second vertebra of the neck, and is inserted broader into the os occipitis. It pulls the head back on the two first vertebra.

Rectus minor posticus arises from the back part of the first vertebra of the neck, it having no spinal process, and is inserted below the former into the same bone, to pull the head back on the first vertebra.

Obliquus superior arises from the transverse process of the first vertebra, and is inserted into the os occipitis and back part of the os temporis, near the rectus major; either of these acting, assist the rectus lateralis on the same side; but both together pull the head back.

Obliquus inferior arises from the spinal process of the second vertebra of the neck, and is inferted into the transverse process of the first. This, with its fellow, alternately acting, turns the head with the first vertebra in a rotatory manner on the second, whose processus dentatus is the axis of this motion.

Interspinales colli are three or four pair of muscles between the bisid processes of the cervical vertebræ, which they draw nearer each other when the neck is bent backward.

Longus colli arifes laterally from the bodies of the four fuperior vertebræ of the thorax, and from the anterior part of the transverse processes of the five inferior vertebræ of the neck, and is inferted into the fore-part of the first and second vertebræ of the neck, which it bends forward.

Intertransversales colli are portions of flesh between the transverse processes of the vertebræ of the neck, like the interspinales, but not so distinct; they draw these processes together.

Spinalis colli arifes from the transverse proceffes of the five superior vertebræ of the back, and is inserted into the spinal processes of the second, third, fourth, and sifth vertebræ of the neck. This pulls the neck backward.

Transversalis colli arises from the oblique processes of the four inferior vertebræ of the neck, and is inserted into the spinal process of the second vertebra of the neck. This muscle is but a continuation of the transversalis or semispinalis dors.

The muscles of the head and neck are most of them obliquely directed, which makes them perform the oblique motions, as well as extension and slexion; which is highly convenient in this case, because the joints moved by these muscles, being under the weight moved, it is necessary that the head should be kept steady by the extensors, and slexors too, when any great weight is upon the head; and these muscles, from the obliquity of their directions, not only perform these two actions at once, but acting by pairs they move the head and neck steadily, in a diagonal direction, which strait muscles could not have done so well.

Scalenus

Scalenus arises from the transverse processes of the second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth cervical vertebræ. It is inserted, in three parts, into the two uppermost ribs, being thus divided for the transmission of the subclavian vessels. This muscle may bend the neck; but its chief use is to support the upper ribs, which is necessary to determine the contraction of the intercostal muscles that way, and a ligament could not have done this, because of the various positions that the neck and back are liable to.

Serratus superior posticus arises with a thin tendon, inseparable from the rhomboides, from the spinal process of the inferior cervical vertebra, and the three superior of the thorax, and is inserted into the second, third, and fourth ribs, immediately beyond their bendings; this, with the scalenus, sustains the upper ribs, that they might not be pulled downward by the depressor of the ribs in exspiration, as the lower ribs are upward in inspiration.

Serratus inferior posticus arises with a broad tendon, inseparable from that of the latissimus dorsi, from the spinal processes of the three superior vertebræ of the loins, and two inferior of the thorax, and is inserted into the tenth rib, but chiefly the ninth and eleventh: it pulls down the ribs in exspiration.

Intercostales are eleven pair on each fide, in the interstices of the ribs; from their situations distinguished

diffinguished into the external and internal; they all arise from the under edge of each rib, and are inferted into the upper edge of the rib below. The external are largest backward, having their first beginnings from the transverse processes of the vertebræ, like distinct muscles, which some call levatores costarum, The internal run all from above obliquely backward; being thickest forward, and thinnest toward the spine. These are also continued betwixt the cartilages of the sternum, with sibres perpendicular to the cartilages; and between the cartilages of the lowest ribs, they are inseparable from the obliquus afcendens abdominis. These muscles, by drawing the ribs nearer to each other, pull them all upward, and dilate the thorax, they being fustained at the top by the scalenus and ferratus fuperior posticus. To these Mr. COWPER adds fome fleshy fibres, which run from one rib over a fecond to a third, near the spine, which are levatores costarum.

Triangularis sterni arises internally from the cartilago ensisormis, and the lower edge of the os pectoris, and is inserted into the end of the third, fourth, fifth and sixth ribs. This pulls the ribs to the bone of the sternum, and thereby bends its cartilages in exspiration.

Diaphragma arifes, on the right fide, by a process from three lumbal vertebræ, and one of the thorax; and on the left, from the one superior of the loins, and inferior of the thorax; this last part

being less to give way to the great artery, and is inferted into the lower part of the sternum and the five inferior ribs. The middle of this muscle is a flat tendon, from whence the fleshy fibres begin and are distributed, like radii, from a centre to a circumference. When this muscle acts alone, it confricts the thorax, and pulls the ribs downward. and approaches toward a plane; which action is generally performed to promote the ejection of the fæces. In large inspirations, when the intercostals lift up the ribs to widen the thorax, this muscle acts enough to bring itself toward a plane, without overcoming the force of the intercostals, by which means the breaft is at once widened and lengthened: when it acts with the abdominal muscles, it draws the ribs nearer together, and constricts the thorax, and the fuperior force of the abdominal muscles thrusting the parts of the lower belly against it, it becomes at the fame time convex upward, and shortens the thorax, which occasions the largest exspirations; or acting alternately with the abdominal muscles only, a more moderate inspiration and exfpiration is made by shortening and lengthening the thorax only, which is what we chiefly do when lying down; or acting alternately with the intercostals only, a moderate exspiration and inspiration is caused, by the widening and narrowing the breast, which is what we are most prone to in an erect position, the muscles of the abdomen at such times being employed in supporting the parts contained

tained in the abdomen. And though these motions of the ribs require at any one time but very little force, the air within the thorax balancing that without; yet that these muscles, whose motions are effential to life, may be never weary, the inspirators in most men have force sufficient to raise mercury in a tube four or five and twenty inches in an erect posture, and the exspirators six or seven; the first of which will require about four thousand pound force in most men, and the other proportional. But I imagine, that lying down, thefe proportions will differ by the weight of the parts contained in the abdomen. In all the bodies I have diffected, I have found the diaphragm convex upward, which gave me occasion to think, that all animals died in exspiration; till the forementioned experiment discovered, that the muscles of inspiration were stronger than those of exspiration; which led me to make the following experiment. I cut the wind-pipe of a dog, and having a string ready fixed, I put a cork into it, and tied it fast instantly after inspiration; upon which I observed, that the diaphragm, and the other muscles of inspiration and exspiration, were alternately contracted and distended for fome time; but when he was dead, the abdominal muscles were in a state of contraction, the ribs were elevated to dilate the thorax, and the diaphragm was convex upward. This experiment also shews, that the diaphragm is not a muscle of equal force either to the depressors or elevators of

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the ribs, it neither hindering the elevators from raifing the breaft; nor the depressors from thrusting it upward, by compressing the parts contained in the abdomen, though the breast was full of air.

Sacer facrolumbalis, longissimus dorsi, and semispinalis, are all that portion of sless betwixt the os facrum and the neck, which seeing there is no membrane to distinguish it into several muscles, and that it is all employed in the same actions, I shall give it the name of extensor dorsi et lumborum, and describe it all as one muscle.

Extensor dorsi et lumborum arises from the upper part of the os facrum, the spine of the os ilium, the back parts of the lowermost vertebræ of the loins, and remarkably from those strong tendons which appear on their outfides. That part of this muscle, which is known by the name of facrolumbalis, is inferted into all the ribs near their articulations, with the transverse processes of the vertebræ, and into the transverse process of the last vertebra of the neck; besides, as this passes over the ribs, it receives an origin from every rib, in a manner that cannot well be described. tions of this muscle, which arise from the ribs, and are inferted into the other ribs above, will necessarily draw the back part of the ribs nearer together, which must always be done as the back extends, and independent of other actions of the thorax. The next portion of this muscle, called longissimus dorsi,

is inferted into all the transverse processes of the vertebræ of the back, and partly into the ribs, and the uppermost transverse processes of the vertebræ of the loins; and the upper end of it is neither very distinct from the complexus of the head, nor spinalis of the neck. The rest of this muscle, known by the names of femispinalis, facer, &cc. arifes also from all the transverse and oblique proceffes of the loins and back; every portion, except the lowermost, passing over five joints, is inserted into the spinal process of the fixth vertebra above its origin, all the way up the back, and at the neck commences transversalis colli. This passing of each portion of a muscle over a few joints, distributes their force equally enough among all thefe joints, without the fibres being directed more obliquely than those of penniform muscles; but the neck and loins not having fufficient provision of this fort, there are fmall muscles between their proceffes, which, though they are of little importance for the motions of those parts, yet are sufficient to distribute the force of larger muscles equally among those joints; and, besides the uses of the extenfor dorsi et lumborum, which its name implies, it and its fellow alternately raife the hips in walking, which any one may feel by laying his hand upon his back.

Quadratus lumborum arises from the upper part of the spine of the ilium, and is inserted into all the transverse processes of the sour upper-H 2 most most lumbal vertebræ. This, and its fellow, acting alternately, assist the last mentioned muscle in raising the ossa innominata in progression: or each acting singly, while the lower limbs are not moved, inclines the body to one side.

Intertransversales lumborum are small muscles seated between all the transverse processes of the vertebræ lumborum, to bring them nearer together.

Pfoas parvus arifes laterally from the body of the first lumbal vertebra, and the lowest of the back, and soon becoming a small tendon, is inserted into the os pubis, near the ilium. It either assists in bending the loins forward, or raising the os innominatum in progressive motions. This muscle is often wanting.

Pfoas magnus arifes laterally from the bodies and transverse processes of the four superior vertebræ of the loins, and the last of the back, and is inserted, with the following muscle, into the lesser trochanter. This bends the thigh, and when the psoas parvus is wanting, this is larger.

Iliacus internus arifes from the concave part of the ilium, and from its lower edge, and passing over the ilium, near the os pubis, joins the former muscle, and is inserted with it, to be employed in the same action.

Pectineus arifes from the os pubis or pectinis, near the joining of that bone with its fellow, and is inferted into the linea afpera of the thigh bone, Four fingers breadth below the leffer trochanter. This bends the thigh, and turns the toes outward.

Triceps femoris. The two lesser heads of this muscle arise under the pectineus, and the third from the inferior edges and back part of the os pubis and ischium, and is inferted into the whole length of the linea afpera and the inner apophyfis of the os femoris. This also bends the thigh, and turns the toes outward. When the thigh bone is moved in a plane, which cuts at right angles a plane that passes through the axis of either head of the last muscle, that head rising lower than the centre of motion of the hip joint, it will either affift the flexors or extensors, and that most when the bone has been moved most backward or forward: and as either of these heads lie more or less out of the faid plane, they will give greater affiftance to that motion which is made on the fide of the faid plane, contrary to their fituation, and less on the same side. This mechanism is frequently made use of to make one muscle serve different actions; but I have only explained it in this instance, because it is the most considerable one that I know.

Cluteus maximus arifes from the back part of the fpine of the ilium, and the dorfum ilii, and fide of the os coccygis and facrum, and a ligament extended between these bones, and from a thin fascia, spread over that part of the following muscle which this does not cover, and is inserted by a strong tendon into the upper part of the linear aspera of the thigh bone, and also into the flat tendon of the fascialis muscle, which insertion into, or connexion with, that tendon, raises this muscle farther from the centre of motion, and increases its strength. This extends the thigh, and both these together being contracted, occasionally affist the levatores and in supporting the anus. The breadth of the origin and insertion of this muscle is very observable; for by that means, though it is the largest muscle in the body, it is nevertheless rightlined, without one sibre compressing another any more than in pennisorm muscles.

Gluteus medius arifes from all the anterior part of the spina and dorsum ilii, and under part of the last mentioned muscle, and is inserted into the upper part of the great trochanter of the thigh bone. This extends the thigh outward.

Gluteus minimus arises entirely under the former, from the dorsum ilii, and is inserted into the upper and anterior part of the great trochanter and neck of the thigh bone to extend the thigh.

Pyriformis arifes internally from the infide of the os facrum, and growing, in more than half its progress, into a round tendon, is inserted into the upper part of the sinus, at the root of the great trochanter. This affists somewhat in extending the thigh, but more in turning it outward.

Quadratus femoris arises from the obtuse process of the ischium, and is inserted into the up-

per part of the linea aspera of the thigh bone, between the two trochanters. This draws the thigh inward, and directs the toes outward.

Obturator internus or marsupialis arises generally from a strong membrane, or ligament, which fills up the hole of the os innominatum, and from the circumambient bone; thence passing over a channel in the ischium, betwixt its two processes, it receives from them two other portions, which are a fort of marsupium, and is inserted into the sinus of the great trochanter. This turns the thigh outward.

Obturator externus arises opposite to the former, from the outside of the os innominatum, and is inserted into the sinus of the great trochanter. This also turns the thigh outward. These four last mentioned muscles acting with the extensors, prevent their turning the toes inward, and in stepping forwards are continually acting to turn the toes outwards; for though the toes are placed perpendicular to the front of the body, in taking a long step, these muscles bring them perpendicular to the side of the body; and as these direct, the same extensors will turn the thigh either outward or backward, with their full force.

Fascialis, or membranosus, arises from the fore-part of the spine of the ilium, and in about five inches progress becomes a flat tendon, or fascia, which is joined by a considerable detachment from the tendon of the gluteus maximus,

and from the linea aspera of the thigh bone, and then covering in an especial manner the vastus externus, is inferted at the top of the tibia and fibula, and then proceeds to join the fascia, which covers the upper part of the muscles situate on the outside of the tibia, and from which a great part of the fibres of those muscles arise. About the middle of the leg it grows loofe, and is fo continued to the top of the foot, being connected there, and at the lower part of the leg, to the ligaments which tie down the tendons. This tendon, where it covers the vastus externus, receives additional transverse fibres, which run through the thigh, but are most conspicuous on the outside. This draws the thigh outward, and passing over the knee forwarder than its axis of motion, it will help to extend that joint.

Gracilis arises from the os pubis, close to the penis, and is inserted into the tibia, four or sive fingers breadth below the knee. This draws the thigh inward, and passing over the knee, behind its axis of motion, it will help to bend it.

Sartorius arifes from the fore-part of the spine of the ilium, and thence descending obliquely to the inside of the tibia, is there inserted four or sive singers breadth below the joint. This at once helps to bend both the thigh and leg, particularly the thigh, at very long levers; it directly helps to lift up the leg in walking up stairs, or laying the legs across, like taylors.

Semitendinosus

Semitendinofus arifes from the obtuse process of the ischium, and growing a round tendon in somewhat more than half its progress, is inserted near the former muscles into the tibia: it helps to extend the thigh and bend the tibia.

Semimembranofus arifes by a flat tendon like a membrane from the obtuse process of the ischium, and being continued tendinous betwixt the bellies of the last mentioned and following muscles, and then growing sleshy, becomes again tendinous above the joint, and is inserted nearer the joint than the former muscle for the same use.

These two make the internal hamstring, and arising and inserting so near together, they might have been one muscle, but their fibres would have been near twice as long, which would have given a motion near twice as quick, but not so strong, unless it had been inserted at a distance from the joint it moves proportionable to its length, which could not well be; therefore they are made two muscles of a number of fibres nearly equal to what one could have been, and are inserted at distances from the axis of motion of the knee, proportional to the different lengths of their fibres in the directions of their axis.

Biceps tibiæ, the first head arises in common with the two preceding muscles, from the obtuse process of the ischium; the second from the lower part of the linea aspera of the thigh bone. This soon joins the former, and is inserted with it into

the upper part of the fibula to bend the leg, and the first head also extends the thigh. The tendon of this muscle makes the external hamstring, when the knee is bent; and when we sit down, the biceps will turn the leg and toes outward, and the semitendinosus and semimembranosus will turn them inward.

Popliteus arifes from the outer apophysis of the os femoris, and thence running obliquely inward, is inferted into the tibia immediately below its head. This affists the flexors, and draws the tibia toward the outer apophysis of the thigh bone.

Rectus tibiæ arises with a tendon from the upper part of the acetabulum of the os innominatum, and by another tendon, which is a fort of ligament to this, from a processus innominatus of the ilium below its spine forward, and is inserted, together with the three following muscles, into the patella. It bends the thigh, and extends the tibia.

Vastus externus arises from the anterior part of the great trochanter and upper part of the linea aspera of the thigh bone, and is inserted into the upper and external part of the patella. It extends the tibia.

Vastus internus arises from the inner and lower part of the linea aspera, and is inserted into the upper and inner part of the patella, to extend the tibia; and the fibres of this muscle being oblique, it keeps the patella in its place, the other muscles lying in the direction of the os femoris,

which makes an obtuse angle with the tibia, they would alone be liable to draw the patella outward. This contrivance is most obvious in those whose knees bend most inward.

Crureus arifes between the two last, below the rectus, from all the convex part of the os femoris, and is inserted in like manner into the patella; the patella being tied down by a strong ligament to the tibia. These three last muscles extend the tibia only, and might very properly be called extensor tibiæ triceps.

Gasterocnemius arises by two small beginnings above the back part of the apophysis of the os femoris, which soon becoming large bellies unite, and then become a flat tendon which joins the following muscles to be inserted into the os calcis. The two parts of this muscle are by some writers distinguished into two muscles. Its use is to extend the tarsus and bend the knee.

Plantaris arifes under the outer beginning of the last named muscle, from the external apophysis of the os femoris, and soon becoming a small tendon, is so continued betwixt the foregoing and subfequent muscles, and is inserted with them. It bends the knee, and extends the tarfus. Authors derive the tendinous expansion on the bottom of the foot from the tendon of this muscle; but seeing the expansion is much more than this tendon could make, and that this tendon can be traced no farther than the os calcis, and that the expansion is

as large when the muscle is wanting, which is not feldom, I cannot be of that opinion.

Gasterocnemius internus arises from the upper part of the tibia, and one third of the sibula, below the popliteus, and is inserted with the two foregoing muscles by a strong tendon into the upper and back part of the os calcis. This muscle only extends the tarsus.

Tibialis anticus arifes from the upper and exterior part of the tibia, and is inferted laterally into the os cuneiforme majus of the tarfus, and by a fmall portion of its tendon into the metacarpal bone of the great toe. This bends and turns the tarfus inward.

Tibialis posticus arises sirst by a small beginning from the upper part of the tibia between that bone and the sibula, then passing between the bones through a perforation in the transverse ligament which connects those bones, it takes other beginnings from the upper and middle part of the tibia, and from the middle of the sibula, and the ligament betwixt the tibia and sibula; then growing a round tendon, passes under the inner ancle, and is inserted into the lower part of the os naviculare, and into the os cuneiforme majus. This extends and turns inward the tarsus.

Peroneus longus arifes from the upper and outer part of the fibula, and growing a tendon toward the lower part of this bone, passes under the outer ancle, and the muscles situated on the bot-

tom of the foot, and is inferted into the beginning of the metatarfal bone of the great toe, and the os cuneiforme next that bone. This turns the tarfus outward, and directs the force of the other extensors of the tarfus toward the ball of the great toe.

Peroneus brevis arises from the middle of the fibula, under a part of the former, and growing tendinous, passes under the outward ancle, and is inferted into the beginning of the upper part of the os metatarsi of the little toe, and sometimes bestows a small tendon on the little toe. Its use is to extend the tarfus, and turn it outward.

These two last muscles riding over the lower end of the fibula, are often the cause of a sprain in the outer ancle, when they are vehemently exerted to fave a fall.

Extensor pollicis longus arises from the upper and middle part of the fibula and the ligamentum transversale, and soon becoming a strong tendon, is inferted into the last bone of the great toe. This also bends the tarfus with a much longer lever than it extends the toe.

Extensor pollicis brevis arises from the fore-part of the os calcis, and is inferted into the fame place with the former.

Flexor pollicis longus arifes from the fibula, opposite to the extensor longus, and then passing under the inner ancle, is inferted into the under fide of the last bone of the great toe. This extends

extends the tarfus at a longer lever than it bends the toe.

Flexor brevis and adductor pollicis are the fame muscle, arising from the two lesser offa cunciformia and os cuboides and calcis. They are inferted into the offa fefamoidea, which are tied by a ligament to the first bone of the great toe, reckoning only two boncs to the great toe. These muscles bend the great toc.

Abductor pollicis arifes pretty largely from the inner and back part of the os calcis, and by a fmaller beginning from the os naviculare; thence paffing forward contiguous to the os cuneiforme majus, passes by the external sesamoid bone of the great toe to its infertion into the first bone of the great toe. This muscle is less an abductor than a flexor pollicis pedis; it also very much helps to constrict the foot lengthways.

Transversalis pedis arises from the lower end of the metatarfal bone of the toe next the least, and is inferted into the internal fefamoid bone. This truly is an adductor of the great toe, and helps to keep the constricture of the bottom of the foot.

Extensor digitorum pedis longus arises acute from the upper part of the tibia, and from the upper and middle part of the fibula and ligament between these bones; then dividing into five tendons, four of them are inserted into the second bone of each leffer toe, and the fifth into the beginning of the metatarfal bone of the least toe, and

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fometimes by a fmall tendon also into the little toe. This last portion for the most part is separate from its beginning, and may be accounted a distinct mus-The four first tendons only of this muscle extend the toes, but all five bend the tarfus, and that with a longer lever than any of them bend a toe.

Extensor digitorum brevis, arises together with the extensor pollicis brevis, from the os calcis, and dividing into three fmall tendons is inferted into the fecond joint of the three toes next the great one. The long extensors of the toes serve not only to extend them, but also contribute to the bending of the ancle, which motions are usually performed together in progression; but the fhort extenfors arising below the ancle, extend the toes only; and when the long extensors are employed for that action only, the extensors of the tarfus must act at the same time, to prevent the bending of the ancle. This is the reason why the toes have need, though their motions are less, of more extensors than the fingers.

Flexor brevis or perforatus arifes from the under and back part of the os calcis, thence paffing toward the four leffer toes, divides into four tendons, which are inferted into the beginning of the fecond bone of each of the leffer toes. Thefe tendons are divided to let through the tendons of the following muscles.

Flexor longus or perforans arises from the back part of the tibia, above the infertion of the popliteus, and part of the fibula; thence defeending under the os calcis to the bottom of the foot, there becomes tendinous, often croffes, and, in most bodies, communicates with the flexor longus pollicis pedis; then it divides into four tendons which pass through those of the flexor brevis, and are inserted into the third bone of the four lesser toes. This muscle also extends the tarsus. The fecond beginning of this muscle arises from the os calcis, and joins the tendons where they divide. This portion only bends the toes; and seeing the flexor longus of the toes will, when it acts alone, extend the tarsus as well as bend the toes, this portion, like the short extensors of the toes, seems purposely contrived to bend the toes alone.

Lumbricales arise from the tendons of the perforans, and are inserted into the first bone of each of the lesser toes which they bend.

Abductor minimi digiti pedis arifes by the perforatus from the os calcis, and being part of it inferted into the metacarpal bone of the least toe, it receives another beginning from the os cuboides, and is inferted into the first bone of the least toe, which it bends and pulls outward, and very much helps to constrict the bottom of the foot.

Abductor fecundus minimi digiti arifes under the former muscle from the metatarsal bone, and is inserted into the little toe.

Interoffei are feven muscles which lie like those of the hands, and arise like them from the

metatarfal bones, and are inferted like them into the last joints of the four lesser toes; and being in their progress attached to the tendons, which extend the fecond joints of the toes, they will extend both these joints. These muscles may be fitly divided into external and internal; the internal also bend the first joints, as do all the interossei in the hand, but here the outer ones extend the first joints: and if we confider that the first of these muscles is analogous to the abductor indicis of the hand, and that the abductor minimi is alike in both, we find that the muscles to move the fingers and lesser toes fideways are alike in number, though this motion of the toes is in a manner lost from the use of shoes. The muscles that bend or extend the last joints of the toes will also move the second and first, and those that move the second will also move the first, as they do in the fingers.

T A B. XI.

- Musculus frontalis.
- 2 Temporalis.
- 3 Orbicularis.
- 4 The parotid gland, with its duct, which passes through the buccinator.
- 5 Mastoideus.
- 6 Zygomaticus.
- 7 Elevator labii fuperioris proprius.
- 8 Elevator labiorum communis.
- 9 Depressor labiorum communis.
- 10 Sphincter oris.
- 11 Depressor labii inferioris proprius.
- 12 Buccinator.
- 13 Sterno-hyoidei.
- 14 Coraco-hyoideus.
- 15 Mastoideus.
- 16 Trapezius.
- 17 Pectoralis.
- 18 Deltoides.









TAB. XIL

- 1 Musculus mastoideus.
- 2 Pectoralis.
- 3 Biceps flexor cubiti.
- 4 Coraco-brachialis.
- 5 Triceps extensor cubiti.
- 6 Latissimus dorsi.
- 7 Serator major anticus.
- 8 Obliquus descendens abdominis.
- 9 Rectus abdominis.
- 10 Pyramidalis.
- 11 Sartorius.
- 12 Fascialis.
- 13 Rectus femoris.

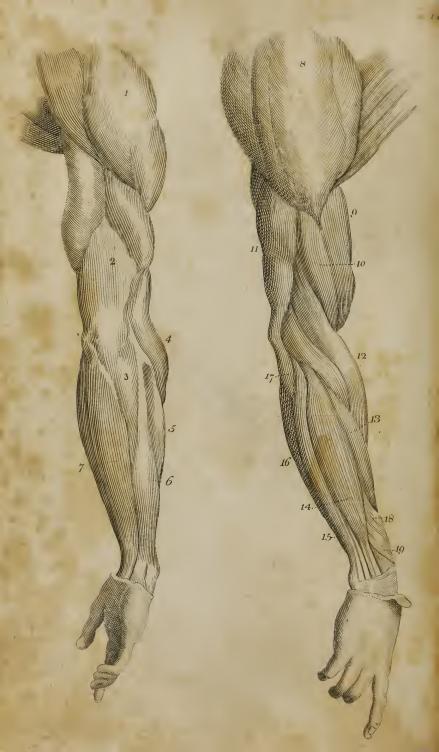
TAB. XIII.

- 1 Trapezius.
- 2 Deltoides.
- 3 Infraspinatus scapulæ.
- 4 Teres major.
- 5 Rhomboides.
- 6 Latissimus dorsi.
- 7 Glutæi.
- 8 Obliquus descendens abdominis.







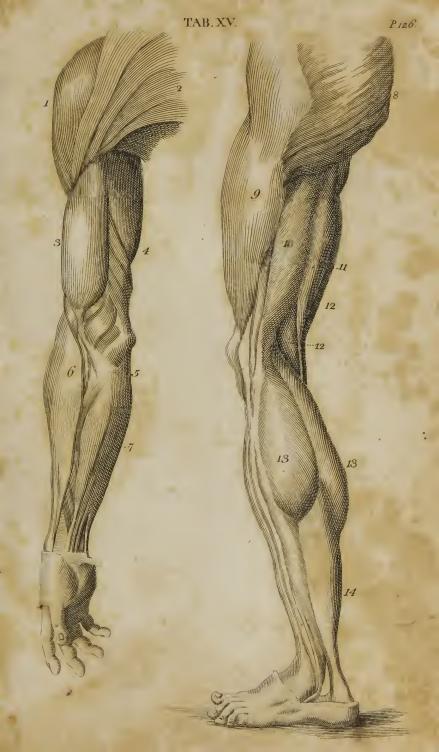


T A B. XIV.

- Musculus deltoides.
- 2 Triceps extensor cubiti.
- 3 Anconæus.
- 4 Extensor carpi radialis primus.
- 5 Extensor carpi radi alis secundus.
- 6 Extensor carpi ulnaris.
- 7 Flexor carpi ulnaris.
- 8 Deltoides.
- 9 Biceps flexor cubiti.
- 10 Brachiæus internus.
- 11 Triceps extensor cubiti.
- 12 Supinator radii longus.
- 13 Extensores carpi radiales.
- 14 Extensor communis digitorum.
- 15 Extensor carpi ulnaris.
- 16 Flexor carpi ulnaris.
- 17 Anconæus.
- 18 Extensor pollicis primus.
- 19 Extensor pollicis secundus.

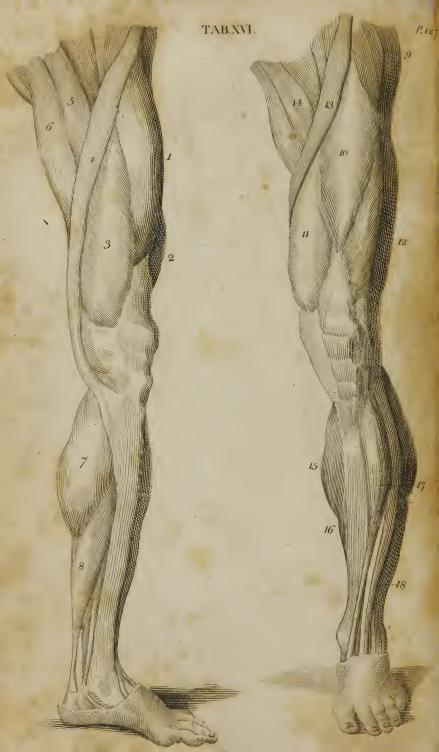
T A B. XV.

- Musculus deltoides.
- 2 Pectoralis.
- 3 Biceps flexor cubiti.
- 4 Triceps extensor cubiti.
- 5 The fascia tendinosa of the biceps muscle,
- 6 Supinator radii longus.
- 7 Flexor carpi radialis.
- 8 Glutæus.
- 9 Vastus externus.
- 10 Biceps femoris.
- 11 Semitendinosus.
- 12 Semimembranosus.
- 13 Gastrocnemius.
- 14 Solæus.









T A B. XVI.

- Musculus rectus femoris.
- 2 Vastus externus.
- 3 Vastus internus.
- 4 Sartorius.
- 5 Pectinæus.
- 6 The large head of the triceps.
- 7 Gastrocnemius.
- 8 Solæus.
- 9 Membranosus.
- 10 Rectus femoris.
- 11 Vastus internus.
- 12 Vastus externus.
- 13 Sartorius.
- 14 Pectinæus.
- 15 Gastrocnemius.
- 16 Solæus.
- 17 Tibialis anticus.
- 18 Extensores digitorum.

T A B. XVII.

- 1 Musculus abductor pollicis.
- 2 Adductor pollicis.
- 3 Flexor brevis.
- 4 Quadratus seu palmaris brevis.
- 5 The strong ligament of the carpus that binds down the tendons of the slexors of the fingers.
- 6 Abductor minimi digiti.
- 7 A probe under the tendons of the perforatus.
- 8 A probe under the tendons of the perforans.
- 9 Lumbricales.
- 10 Perforatus.
- 11 Flexor carpi radialis.
- 12 Flexor carpi ulnaris.







T A B. XVIII.

- I Tendo achilles.
- 2 That part of the astragalus which articulates with the tibia.
- 3 The tendon of the tibialis anticus.
- 4 The tendon of the extensor pollicis pedis longus.
- 5 The tendons of the extensor digitorum communis.
- 6 Extensor pollicis pedis brevis.
- 7 Extensor digitorum brevis.
- B The union of the tendons of the extensor longus and the extensor brevis,

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- 1 Musculus triceps extensor cubiti.
- 2 Deltoides.
- 3 Teres major.
- 4 Latissimus dorsi.
- 5 Pectoralis.
- 6 Obliquus descendens abdominis.
- 7 Rectus abdominis.
- 8 Sartorius.
- o Rectus femoris.
- 10 Vastus externus.
- 11 Vastus internus:
- 12 Gastrocnemius.
- 13 Solæus.
- 14 Tibialis anticus.









T A B. XX.

This table is done after the famous statue of Hercules and Antæus. The muscles here exhibited being all explained in the other plates, the sigures are omitted to preserve the beauty of the plate.

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THE

ANATOMY

OF THE

HUMAN BODY.

BOOK III.

CHAP. I.

OF THE EXTERNAL PARTS, AND COMMON INTEGUMENTS.

THE vulgar names of the external parts of the human body being fufficiently known for the description of any disease or operation; I shall only describe those which anatomists have given for the better understanding of the sub-contained parts.

The hollow on the middle of the thorax, under the breafts, is called fcrobiculus cordis; the middle of the abdomen for about three fingers breadth

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above and below the navel, is called regio umbilicalis; the middle part above this, epigaftrium; on each fide of the epigastrium, under the cartilages of the lower ribs, hypochondrium; and from below the regio umbilicalis, down to the offailia and offa pubis, hypogastrium.

· Cuticula, or fcarf-skin, is that thin insensible membrane which is raifed by blifters in living bodies. It is extended over every part of the true skin, unless where the nails are. . It appears to me in a microscope a very fine fmooth membrane, only unequal where the reticulum mucofum adheres to it. LEWENHOECK, and others, fay it appears fcaly, and compute that a grain of fand of the hundredth part of an inch diameter, will cover two hundred and fifty of these scales, and that each fcale has about five hundred pores; fo that a grain of fand will cover 125,000 pores through which we perspire. • Its use is to defend the true skin that it may not be exposed to pain from whatever it touches; and also to preserve it from wearing: it is thickest on those parts of the bottom of the foot which fustain the body, and in hands much used to labour, being so contrived as to grow the thicker the more those parts are used. In fcorbutic diforders the cuticula will fometimes become fcurfy and full of little ulcers, which are apt to remain even when the cause is taken away, but the cuticle being taken off by a blifter, the new cuticle will be found; and though the cutis is affected

and full of little tumors, the discharge of the blifter will often cure them also.

Between this and the true skin is a small quantity of slimy matter, which was supposed by MALPIGHI and others, to be contained in proper vessels, interwoven with one another, and therefore by them named reticulum mucosum. It is most considerable where the cuticula is thickest, and is black, white, or dusky, such as is the complexion; the colour of this and the cuticula being the only difference between Europeans and Africans or Indians, the sibres of the true skin being white in all men; but the florid colour of the cheeks is owing to the blood in the minute vessels of the skin, as that in the lips to the vessels in the muscular sless, for the cuticula being made of excrementitious matter, has no blood vessels.

Cutis, or true skin, is a very compact, strong, and sensible membrane, extended over all the other parts of the body, having nerves terminating so plentifully in all its superficies, for the sense of touching, that the finest pointed instrument can prick no where without touching some of them. These nerves are said by Malpighi and others, who have examined them carefully, to terminate in small pyramidal papillæ; inevertheless, it seems that a plain superficies of the skin is much sitter and more agreeable to what we experience of this sensation; for a plain superficies exposing all the nerves alike, I think, would give a more equal

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fenfation, while nerves ending in a pyramidal papilla would be exceeding fensible at the vertex of that papilla; and those at the fides and round the base, which would be far the greatest part, would be the least useful. Immediately under the skin upon the shin bone, I have twice seen little tumors less than a pea, round and exceeding hard, and so painful that both cases were judged to be cancerous; they were cured by extirpating the tumor: but what was more extraordinary, was a tumor of this kind, under the skin of the buttock, small as a pin's head, yet so painful that the least touch was insupportable, and the skin for half an inch round was emaciated; this too I extirpated, with fo much of the skin as was emaciated, and some fat. The patient, who before the operation could not endure to fet his leg to the ground, nor turn in his bed without exquisite pain, grew immediately eafy, walked to his bed without any complaint, and was foon cured.

'Glandulæ miliares are fmall bodies like millet feeds, feated immediately under the skin in the axillas; and are said to have been found under all other parts of the skin, where they have been looked for with microscopes. These glands are supposed to separates weat; which shuid was thought to be only the materia perspirabilis slowing in a greater quantity, and condensed, till Sanctorius assured us that it is not so, and that more of the materia perspirabilis is separated in equal times than

of fweat; of the former, he fays, usually fifty-two ounces a day in Italy, where his experiments were made, and of the latter not near fo much in the most profuse sweats; which seems to favour the opinion of the existence of these glands: but whoever reads Mr. HALES'S experiments will find, that what Sanctorius accounted for by an imaginary insensible perspiration, different from that which in the greatest degree produces sweat, is really made by the lungs in respiration, and is ten times more than all the ordinary perspiration through the cutis, and feems to be but the fame kind of fluid discharged both ways; for whenever it is interrupted through the skin in cold weather, then the lungs are overcharged, which occasions coughing to get rid of it, which in a greater degree is an afthma. Hence too it is, that those who perspire most in the fummer are most subject to althmatic disorders in the winter; and most of all fo, when the air they breathe is fullest of: vapour, and therefore least capable of conveying this matter from the lungs. That this kind of perspiration is very great, is sufficiently shewn by breathing upon glass, or any thing that is smooth and cold.

Membrana adiposa is all that membrane immediately under the skin, which contains the sat in cells; it is thickest on the abdomen and buttocks, and thinnest nearest the extremities; and where the muscles adhere to the skins and on the

penis, little or none.. It contributes to keep the inner parts warm, and by filling the interflices of the muscles, renders the furface of the body smooth and beautiful, and may ferve to lubricate their furfaces. Whether the decrease of fat, which often follows labour or fickness, proceeds from its being re-assumed into the blood vessels, or whether it is constantly perspiring through the skin, and the leffening of its quantity is from the want of a supply equal to its confumption; is with me a matter, of doubt, though the former opinion, I know, generally prevails. The cells of this membrane communicate throughout the whole body fo much, that from any one part the whole may be filled with air. I have feen two cafes where the windpipe being cut, and the external wounds being closely stitched by injudicious surgeons, the air that escaped at the wound of the wind-pipe getting into the cells of the membrana adipofa, blew up the upper part of the body like a bladder. The like accident I have feen from a broken rib, where, I suppose, the end of the rib had pricked the lungs; all these persons died. In these cells the water is contained in an anafarca, which from its weight, first fills the depending parts, as the air in the former cases did the upper parts; and when these cells are very full, the water frequently passes from them into the abdomen, and after tapping, though the limbs were ever fo full, they will almost empty themselves in one night's time.

time. This membrane is the usual feat of impostumations and boils, in both which nature, uninterrupted, always corrodes a hole in the skin; from whence we may learn, that the best way of opening any impostumation is by a hole, and that too as near the time of its breaking naturally as may be, that nature may make the utmost advantage of the discharge. There is sometimes a large kind of boil or carbuncle in this membrane, which first makes a large slough and a number of fmall holes through the skin, which in time mortifies and casts off, but the longer the slough is fuffered to remain, the more it discharges, and the more advantage to the patient; at the latter end of which case the matter has a bloody tincture, and a bilious fmell, exactly like what comes from ulcers in the liver; and both these cases are attended with fweet urine, as in a diabetes.

Mammæ, the breasts, seem to be of the same structure in both sexes, but largest in women. Each breast is a conglomerate gland to separate milk, with its excretory ducts; which are capable of very great distention, tending toward the nipple, which as they approach, they unite, and make but a few ducts at their exit. There are to be met with in authors instances attested of men giving suck, when they have been excited by a vehement desire of doing it: and it is a common observation, that milk will slow out of the breasts of new-born children, both male and semale.

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The breafts and uterus in women, the tongue, mouth, and penis in men, and the eyes in children, are the parts most subject to cancers; yet there is no part where this difease has not sometimes fixed. It is a matter of dispute among some furgeons, whether cancerous tumors should ever be extirpated or not, though it is certain none of these ever were cured without, and being extirpated, there have been many. The objection against extirpation is this, that the operation often provokes the part, which otherwise might lie quiet: but I do not think this is true; in desperate cases, where we cannot extirpate, we find the best remedy is plentiful bleeding, (which also is nature's last resort) gentle constant evacuations by stool, and a vegetable diet; and though physic never cures while the tumour remains, yet after extirpation it is highly useful, and even the worst constitutions have sometimes been brought to their primitive state. An eminent furgeon in the city, having a patient with a cancerated breaft, extremely large, and fo much ulcerated that the stench of it was insupportable; fhe infifted upon the extirpation, against all advice, with no other hopes but to be delivered from the offensive smell. Some time after the operation, the wound looking extremely fordid, he fprinkled it all over with red mercury precipitate, which put the patient into a high falivation, upon which the breast grew clean and healed, the patient recovered, and, contrary to all expectation, lived many

years in good health. From this accident I learnt the usefulness of falivating, after extirpating cancerous tumours, though nothing is more hurtful before. In the extirpation of a breast, and all other tumours, as much skin as is possible should be saved; for the loss of a great deal of skin is sufficient to make an incurable ulcer in the most healthful body, and much more so in a bad constitution.

CHAP. II.

OF THE MEMBRANES IN GENERAL.

EVERY distinct part of the body is covered, and every cavity is lined with a fingle membrane, whose thickness and strength is as the bulk of the part it belongs to, and as the friction to which it is naturally exposed.

Those membranes that contain distinct parts, keep the parts they contain together, and render their surfaces smooth, and less subject to be lacerated by the actions of the body; and those which line cavities serve to render the cavities smooth, and sit for the parts they contain to move against.

The membranes of all the cavities that contain folid parts, are fludded with glands, or are provided with veffels, which feparate a mucus, to make the parts contained move glibly against one another, and not grow together; and those cavities which are exposed to the air, as the nose, ears, mouth,

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and trachea arteria, have their membranes befet with glands which feparate matter to defend them from the outer air. Those membranes that have proper names, and deserve a particular description, will be treated of in their proper places.

CHAP. III.

OF THE SALIVARY GLANDS.

PAROTIS, or maxillaris superior, is the largof the falivary glands; it is fituate behind the lower jaw, under the ear; its excretory duct passes over the upper part of the masseter muscle, and enters the mouth through the buccinator.. This gland has its faliva promoted by the motions of the lower jaw. Its duct passes over the tendinous part of the maffeter muscle, that it may not be compressed by that muscle, which would obstruct the saliva in it, though it is frequently said that it passes over that muscle that it may be compressed by it, to promote the faliva. In sheep, horses, &c. whose jaws are long, this muscle is inferted far from the centre of motion, that the end of the jaw may be moved with fufficient strength, and that distant insertion requiring a greater length of muscle, that its motion may be quick enough, no part of this muscle could be allowed to be tendinous; therefore, it feems, to avoid the inconvenience nience of compression from the muscle, the duct in those animals goes quite round the lower end of it. When this duct is divided by an external wound, the saliva will flow out on the cheek, unless a convenient perforation be made into the mouth, and then the external wound may be healed. I have seen patients with this gland ulcerated, from which there was a constant effusion of saliva, till the greatest part of the gland was consumed with red mercury precipitate; and then they healed with little trouble. Hildanus mentions the same case, which for two years had been under the care of a surgeon without success; and was at last cured by the application of an actual cautery.

Maxillaris inferior is fituate between the lower jaw and the tendon of the digastric muscle. Its duct passes under the musculus mylohyoideus, and enters the mouth under the tongue, near the dentes incisorii. I was at the opening of a woman who was suffocated by a tumor which begun in this gland, and extended itself from the sternum to the parotid gland on one side in six weeks time, and in nine weeks killed her; it was a true scirrhus, and weighed twenty-six ounces. In a man which I dissected, I found a quantity of pus near this gland, and a bundle of matter not unlike hair, as large as an hen's egg.

· Sublingualis is a small gland situated under the tongue, between the jaw and the ceratoglossis muscle. In a calf I sound several ducts of this gland

gland filled by an injection into the duct of the fubmaxillary gland; but MORGAGNI and others fhew, that the ducts of this gland enter the mouth directly from the gland in feveral places near the grinding teeth.

· Tonfilla is a globular gland, about the bigness of a hazel nut, fituate upon the pterygoideus internus muscle, between the root of the tongue and the uvula. It has no duct continued from it, but empties all its small ducts into a sinus of its own, which finus, when the gland is inflamed, may eafily be mistaken for an ulcer. This gland with its fellow direct the masticated aliment into the pharynx, and also serve for the uvula to shut down upon when we breathe through the nofe. They are compressed by the tongue and the aliment, when the former raises the latter over its root, and thereby opportunely emit their faliva to lubricate the food for its easier descent through the pharynx. A fcirrhous tumor of either of these glands is a common difease, and it admits of no remedy but extirpation. The best way of extirpating them, is, I think, by ligature: if the gland is small at its basis, the ligature may be tied round it, which I have often performed by fixing the ligature to the end of a probe bent, and fo drew it round the gland, and tied it; and in a few days the glands dropped of: but meeting with other cases of this kind, where the basis of the gland was too large to tie, I contrived an instrument like a crooked needle

fet in a handle, with an eye near the point; I thrust this instrument, with a ligature into it through the bottom of the gland, and then taking hold of the ligature with a hook, I drew back the instrument; then drawing the double ligature forwards, I divided it, and tied one part above and the other below, in the same manner that I did to extirpate part of the omentum in the cure of an hernia, and this succeeded as well as the former. See the plate at the latter end of this book.

Pressure upon the surface of a gland very much promoting the fecretion that is made in it, these glands are so seated as to be pressed by the lower jaw, and its muscles, which will be chiefly at the time when the fluid is wanted; and the force with which the jaw must be moved, being as the dryness and hardness of the food masticated, the fecretion from the glands depending very much upon that force; it will also be in proportion to the dryness and hardness of that food which is necessary; for all food, being to be reduced to a pulp, by being broke and mixed with faliva, before it can be fwallowed fit for digeftion, the drier and harder foods needing more of this matter, will from this mechanism be supplied with more than moister foods in about that proportion in which they are drier and harder; and the drier foods needing more faliva than moister, is the reason why we can eat less, and digest less of these than those. What quantity of faliva these glands can separate

from the blood, in a given time, will be hard to determine, but in cating of dry bread it cannot be less than the weight of the bread; and many men, in a little time, can eat more dry bread than twice the fize of all these glands; and some, that are not used to smoaking, can spit half a pint in the smoaking one pipe of tobacco; and fome men in a falivation, have spit, for days or weeks together, a gallon in four and twenty hours; and yet, I believe, all these glands put together, do not weigh more than four ounces.

* The membrane which lines the mouth and palate, and covers the tongue, is every where befet with finall glands, to afford faliva in all parts of the mouth to keep it moist; for those more remote are chiefly concerned in time of mastication.. These fmall glands have names given them according to their respective situations, as buccales, labiales, linguales, fauciales, palatinæ, gingivarum, and uvulares.

A gland is chiefly composed of a convolution of one or more arteries of a confiderable length, from whose sides arise a vast number of excretory ducts, as the lacteals arise from the guts, to receive in each gland their proper juices, as the lacteals do the chyle; and though the larger fecretions are made by visible glands, yet unconvolved arteries may also have excretory ducts for the same purpose. this way, I imagine, fecretions are made from all the membranes that line cavities, and some others.

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There also arise from these arteries lymphatic vesfels, whose use feems to be to take off the thinnest part of the blood, where a thick fluid is to be fecreted, feeing they are found in greatest plenty in fuch glands as feparate the thickest sluids, as in the testicles and liver; and it is observable that, where the thickest secretions are made, the velocity of the blood is the least, as if it was contrived to give those feemingly more tenacious parts more time to separate from the blood. The arteries that compose different glands are convolved in different manners; but whether or no their different fecretions depend at all upon that, I doubt will be difficult to discover. The excretory ducts arise from the arteries, and unite in their progress, as the roots of trees do from the earth; and as different trees, plants, fruits, and even different minerals, in their growing, often derive their distinct, proper, nutritious juices from the same kind of earth; so the excretory ducts, in different glands, separate from the fame mass of blood their different juices: but what these different secretions depend upon, whether the structure of the parts, or different attractions, or what elfe, we have no certainty about, though this fubject has employed feveral ingenious writers. For my own part, from the great fimplicity and uniformity usually seen in nature's works, I am most inclined to think different secretions arise from different attractions, seeing that in plants and minerals there feems to be no other way.

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CHAP. IV.

OF THE PERITONÆUM, OMENTUM, DUCTUS ALIMENTALIS, AND MESENTERY.

PERITONÆUM is a membrane which lines the whole cavity of the abdomen. It contains the liver, fpleen, omentum, stomach, guts, and mefentery, with all their veffels and glands; the upper part of it is no other than the proper membrane of the diaphragm, for there is no more reafon to call that, part of the peritonæum, than there is for calling the membrane on the other fide of the diaphragm, part of the pleura or mediastinum. The fore part next the muscles of the abdomen, and their tendons, may be divided into two laminæ, yet, I think, anatomists in describing the duplicature or laminæ of the peritonæum have not always meant this division, but have taken the tendons of the transverse muscles for the outer lamina, and confidered the other as one membrane, feeing that it is between these tendons and the periton zum that the water is found in that kind of dropfy which is called the dropfy in the duplicature of the peritonæum. Upon the loins the inner furface only is fmooth, and the outer part a fort of loofe membrana adipofa, in which are contained the aorta, vena cava, vafa spermatica, and pancreas, with other parts of less note. The middle of the peritonæum upon the loins is joined to the mesentery in fuch a manner, as makes some account it a production of the peritonæum, and some part of the external membrane of the duodenum, becoming one membrane with the inner or smooth lamina of the peritonæum, and part of the rectum is covered in the same manner; but the kidneys and bladder of urine are contained in a distinct duplicature of this membrane. The dropfy of the peritonæum may be distinguished by being least prominent about the navel, for there the tendons and the peritonæum will not separate; and the water in those that I have dissected, had made the parts where it was contained as foul as any ulcer; therefore none of them, I presume, could have been cured by operation.

For the umbilical vessels, see chap. Of the fœtus. For the processus vaginalis, chap. Of the

parts of generation in men.

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• Omentum, or cawl, is a fine membrane, larded with fat, fomewhat like net-work. It is fituated on the furface of the fmall guts, and refembles an apron tucked up; its outer or upper part, named ala fuperior, is connected to the bottom of the ftomach, the fpleen, and part of the intestinum duodenum; and thence descending a little lower than the navel, is reslected and tied to the intestinum colon, the spleen, and part of the duodenum; this last part is called ala inferior; and the space between the alæ is named bursa. This cavity is very distinct in most brutes, but seldom so in

men. Sometimes both alæ are tied to the liver, and, in diseased bodies, to the peritonæum. Its use is to lubricate the guts, that they may the better perform their peristaltic motion. Malpight describes adipose ducts in this membrane to carry the fat from the cells into the vena portæ, and thinks it a necessary ingredient in the bile. In dropsies of the abdomen, and in persons who from any other cause have died tabid, it is generally rotten and decayed; and sometimes the guts in these cases adhere to one another: but whether these adhesions proceed from the omentum's ceasing to person its office, or from the peristaltic motion of the guts being long discontinued through abstinence, or both, I cannot determine.

Ductus alimentalis, is the œfophagus, ftomach, and guts, viz. duodenum, jejunum, ileum, colon, cæcum or appendicula vermiformis, and rectum.

• Œsophagus, or gullet, is the beginning of the alimentary duct; its upper part is wide and open, spread behind the tongue to receive the masticated aliment; it begins from the basis of the scull, near the processus pterygoides of the sphenoidal bone, then descending becomes round, and is called vaginalis gulæ; it runs from the tongue close to the spine, under the left subclavian blood vessels, into and through the thorax on the left side, then piercing the diaphragm, it immediately enters the stomach. It is composed of a thin outer coat, which is no

more than a proper membrane to the middle or muscular coat. The middle coat is composed of longitudinal and circular muscular fibres, but chiefly circular, abundantly thicker than the same coat in the guts; because this has no foreign power to affist it, as the guts have, and because it is necessary the food should make a shorter stay here than there. The inner coat is a pretty smooth membrane, beset with many glands, which secrete a mucilaginous matter, to defend this membrane, and render the descent of the aliment easy.

'Ventriculus, the stomach, is situated under the left, side of the diaphragm, its left side touching the spleen, and its right is covered by the thin edge of the liver; its sigure nearly resembles the pouch of a bag-pipe, its left end being most capacious, the upper side concave, and the lower convex: it has two orifices, both on its upper part; the left, through which the aliment passes into the stomach, is named cardia; and the right, through which it is conveyed out of the stomach into the duodenum, is named pylorus; where there is a circular valve which hinders a return of aliment out of the gut, but does not at all times hinder the gall from slowing into the stomach.

The coats of the stomach are three; the external membranous, the middle muscular, whose shores are chiefly longitudinal and circular, the inner membranous, and befet with glands, which separate a mucus. This last coat is again divided

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by anatomists into a fourth, which they call villosa. As the muscular coat of the stomach contracts, the inner coat falls into folds, which increase as the stomach lessens, and consequently retard the aliment most when the stomach is nearest being empty.

The manner in which digestion is performed has been matter of great controversy. The ancients generally supposed the food concocted by a fermentation in the stomach: but the moderns more generally attribute it to the muscular force of the stomach; which Dr. PITCAIRNE has computed to be equal to a hundred and feventeen thousand and" eighty-eight pounds weight; to which being added the absolute force of the diaphragm and abdominal" muscles (but for what reason I am at a loss to conceive, when so small a part of that force can be exerted this way) the fum then will be more than' twice as much; a force indeed equal to the end for which he affigns it. Now this force of the muscular coat of the stomach is near forty times greater than what BORELLI has affigned to the heart, which is much stronger; and Dr. Keil has undertaken to prove, that the force which the heart exerts is not thrice as many ounces as Borelli computes it to be thousand pounds weight. Yet this is as certain, as that action and reaction are the fame; that the abdominal mufcles and the diaphragm compress the stomach with no greater force than they do the liver and all other parts contained in the abdomen; and that the fœtus in utero, and all the

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viscera in the abdomen, receive much more of this force, during the time of gestation; and yet neither the fœtus, nor any other contained part, is digested by that force; and for the force with which the stomach itself acts, it will be just the same with the reaction of the food upon it, and therefore fhould be as much more liable to be digested by this and the other force, than the food, as it oftener feels these forces than that (only that living bodies are not fo liable to digeftion as dead ones:) besides, it may be demonstrated, that the force with which the stomach compresses any part of its contents, is not greater than what is given to equal parts of the contents in the fmall guts; for if the moment of a muscle is as its weight, and if the muscular coat of the stomach does not bear a greater proportion to the muscular coat of a small gut, than their diameters bear; a fection of the stomach having so many more equal parts to press than a like section of a gut, it will require just so much more force to give each part the same pressure. Dr. DRAKE has supposed, that digestion is performed in the stomach, as in PAPIN's Digester; in which hypothesis are contained all the abfurdities of that of PITCAIRNE, with this addition, that the stomach must be as irresistible to distention at that time, as his iron pot, and the orifices as forcibly fecured; but then indeed it shews how bits of bones, which dogs fwallow, may be retained in the stomach without tearing it; which difficulty, in my opinion, Dr. PIT-

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CAIRNE has not fufficiently accounted for, though it is none of the least in his hypothesis. In granivorous birds, where digeftion is made by mufcular force, their fecond stomach is plainly contrived for comminuting or digefting their food that way; for besides that it is one of the strongest muscles in their bodies, its infide is defended with a hard and strong membrane that it may not be torn; and thefe birds always eat with their grain the roughest and hardest little stones they can find, which are necessary for grinding their food, notwithstanding it is first soaked in another stomach, and is also food of very eafy digeftion. In ferpents, some birds, and feveral kinds of fish, which swallow whole animals, and retain them long in their stomachs, digestion seems to be performed by a menstruum; for we frequently find in their stomachs animals fo totally digested, before their form is destroyed, that their very bones are made foft. In horses and oxen, digestion is but little more than extracting a tincture; for in their excrements, when voided, we-fee the texture of their food is not totally destroyed, though grass, in particular, seems to be as easily divided as any food whatever, and the corn they eat is often voided entire: and in the excrements of men, are often feen the skins of fruits undigested, and fmall fruits fuch as currants, unbroke, and worms also continue unhurt, both in the stomach and guts. Therefore, by comparing our stomachs with those here mentioned, it appears to me, that our digestion is performed by a menstruum, which is chiefly faliva, gently affifted by the action of the stomach, and the abdominal muscles, and by that principle of corruption which is in all dead bodies. gestion is no other than corruption or putrefaction of our food; therefore meats preferved from corruption by falt or spirits, are hard of digestion and unwholesome. Nevertheless, when this digesting menstruum of the stomach is too crude, the same falts or spirits, moderately used, become a remedy; and though meat long faited is fo very unwholesome, it seems not to be from the salt itself, but the meat made undigestible by being long falted; for those who eat the greatest quantity of salt at their meals are not subjected thereby to the same distempers. And this digesting menstruum, when the stomach is empty, exciting that uneafiness which we call hunger, our appetites and our digestion are thereby necessarily suited both as to time and quantity.

Duodenum is the first of the three small guts; it begins from the pylorus of the stomach, and is thence reslected downward; it first passes by the gall-bladder, and then under the following gut and mesentery, and coming in sight again in the left hypochondrium, it there commences jejunum, which is the second of the small guts; but the place where this ends and the other begins is not precisely determined.

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'Jejunum is so called from its being sound, for the most part, empty; it is situated in the regio umbilicalis, and makes somewhat more than a third put of the small guts. It is distinguished from the following gut by its coats, which are a small matter thinner and less pale.:

' Ileum is the continuation of the former, fituated in the hypogastrium, and very often some part of it in the pelvis of the abdomen, upon the bladder of urine, especially in women; it enters the colon on the right fide, near the upper edge of the os ilium.. This great length of the small guts is evidently for the convenience of a greater number of lacteals, that the chyle which miffes their orifices in one place may not escape them in another; but those animals which swallow their food whole, and have it a long time in their stomach and guts, have shorter guts and fewer lacteals. · Colon is the first of the great guts; it begins at the upper edge of the right os ilium; thence ascending passes under some part of the liver, and the bottom of the stomach, from the right hypochondrium to the left, and thence descends to the pelvis of the abdomen ..

- Cæcum, or appendicula vermiformis, is fituated on the beginning of the colon: it is less than an earth-worm, with a small orifice opening into the colon; this gut has feldom any thing in it.. In men it is called one of the large guts, though it is the smallest by far; but the mistake

of all the parts contained in the abdomen, feem to be taken from dogs; for in them, and in many other animals, it is very large: and fome fish have them in great numbers, but very small; I have counted in a mackarel above one hundred and fifty.

Rectum is the continuation of the colon through the pelvis to the anus.: The lower end of this gut is the feat of the true fiftula in ano, which usually runs betwixt the mufcular coat and the inner coat; it is cured by opening it the whole length into the cavity of the gut; it is yet better, if it can be done, to extirpate all that is fiftulous and fchirrhous, for that is a fure way to make one operation perfect the cure. The other kind of fiftula, improperly fo called, is an abfcefs running round the outfide of the sphincter, in the shape of a horse-shoe, being a circle all but where this muscle unites with those of the penis; this is best cured by opening and removing part of the outer skin. The first of these cases happens oftenest in full habits, proceeding frequently from the piles; the last is generally a critical discharge, and one of nature's last efforts in confumptive and scorbutic habits of body. The inverfion and sliding down of this gut is called prolapsus ani, a difease common in children, especially those who are afflicted with the stone, and of not much consequence; in men it is more rare and more dangerous, being generally attended with a flux of humours. This case I have cured by taking away a

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piece of the prolapfed gut with a caustic, lengthways of the gut; the wound discharged the sux of humours, upon which the gut was easily reduced, and cicatrising in that state it never more fell down.

I have feen a cafe, where a bold unthinking furgeon having cut off the prolapfed part, the cicatrix was fo hard and contracted that the patient could never after go to ftool without a clyfter, and then not without great mifery.

Oftentimes the piles occasion large tumours at the lower end of this gut; these are always best extirpated by ligature; for if they are cut, they will sometimes bleed excessively, and it is no easy matter to apply any thing to stop a slux of blood in that part.

The guts have the same coats with the stomach; the sibres of their middle or muscular coat are circular, or spiral, and longitudinal; of the latter but very sew. The antagonists to these muscular sibres of the stomach and guts, are their contents pressed from one place to another, and the muscles of the abdomen, for these pressing upon them alter their form into one less capacious; which necessarily extends their circular fibres. The great guts have three membranes, or ligaments, on the outside, running their whole length, and supporting the sacculi, into which those guts are divided. The lesser guts have, at very small distances, semilunar valves placed opposite to the interstices of each other, to prevent the aliment from passing too speedily through the

guts; and the better to answer that end, they are larger and more numerous near the stomach, where the food is thinner, than they are towards the colon, where the food is continually made thicker in its progrefs, by a discharge of part of the chyle. This contrivance, fo necessary to men, because of their erect posture, when they are obliged, by fickness or accidents, to lie along, becomes a great inconvenience, and calls for the help of clysters and purges. But brutes have not these valves, because they are not convenient in an horizontal posture. At the entrance of the ileum into the colon, are two very large valves, which effectually hinder the regress of the fœces into the ileum. But clyfters have been frequently known to pass them, and be vomited up; though the excrement that is fometimes vomited up, I am inclined to think, is fuch as had not paffed into the great guts. The other valves in the colon are placed opposite, but not in the same plane, to each other, and make, with their anterior edges, an equilateral triangle; but as the gut approaches the anus, they become less remarkable, and fewer in number.

All the guts have in their inner membrane an almost infinite number of very small glands: these glands will, especially some of them in the large guts, appear to the naked eye when they are diseased: they are called glandulæ pyerianæ.

The length of the guts to that of the body is as five to one in a middle-fized man; in taller men

the proportion is usually less, and in short men greater.

• Mefentery is a membrane beginning loofely upon the loins, and is thence produced to all the guts: it preferves the jejunum and ileum from twifting in their peristaltic or vermicular motion, and confines the rest to their places.: It sustains all the vessels going to and from the guts, viz. arteries, veins, lymphæducts, lacteals and nerves, and also contains many glands, called, from their situation, mesentericæ. The beginning of this membrane from the loins, is about three or sour inches broad, but next the guts of the same length with the side of the guts they adhere to, which is in the small guts, about a sourth part shorter than the other side; but when this membrane is separated from the small guts, it shrinks, and measures about two thirds less.

I opened a boy, about twelve years old, that died of the iliac passion, vulgarly called the twisting of the guts; the guts, stomach, duodenum, and jejunum were distended, with vapour and air, to near ten times their natural capacity, which so compressed the intestinum ileum, that nothing could pass through it. The relations of this boy could give no other account of the cause of this disease, than that of his having eaten a large quantity of raw young carrots. This case happens very frequently to lambs that have been housed, and turned out early in the spring to grass, when the grass is very rank and succulent; and also to horses, oxen,

and sheep, when they happen to feed, by any accident, upon young beans or peas, or rich clover grass, which are very apt to ferment in their stomachs. In these animals this case is commonly cured by running a knife into their guts; fome instances of which I have seen, and have heard a great many reported; but this case happening very rarely to men, I believe that practice has never yet been used; though the instrument which is used for tapping in a dropfy of the abdomen, might do it with great ease and safety. Some anatomists, who have confidered the impossibility of a twisting of the guts, which is the vulgar name of this difease, have imagined that it proceeded from one gut being involved in another. These involutions are found frequently in bodies that die a natural death, and without any inflammation, or any other fymptom of pain.

CHAP. V.

OF THE LIVER, GALL-BLADDER, PANCREAS AND SPLEEN.

THE liver is the largest gland in the body; of a dusky red colour. It is situated immediately under the diaphragm in the right hypochondrium; its exterior side is convex, and interior concave; backward toward the ribs it is thick, and thin on its fore-part, where it covers the upper side

of the stomach, and some of the guts; the upper fide of it adheres to the diaphragm, and is also tied to it and the sternum by a thin ligament, which is described commonly as two; the upper part called fuspensorium, and the anterior latum: but either of these names is sufficient for it all.. It is also tied to the navel by a round ligament called teres or umbilicale, which is the umbilical vein degenerated into a ligament; it is inferted into the liver at a fmall fisfure in its lower edge. The ligamentum latum, or suspensorium, sustains the liver in an erect posture, or rather fixes it in its situation, while it is supported by the other viscera, they being compreffed by the abdominal muscles; in lying down the teres prevents it from pressing on the diaphragm; and in lying on the back, they both together fufpend it, that it may not compress and obstruct the afcending vena cava. It is nourished by the branches of the celiac and mesenteric arteries in the liver, called arteriæ hepaticæ, but its blood veffels, that compose it as a gland, are the branches of the vena portæ, which enters the liver, and distributes its blood like an artery, to have the bile fecreted from it; and the branches of the cava in the liver, which return the redundant blood into the cava ascendens: it has also several branches of nerves, and a great number of lymphatics; of which I shall treat in their respective places. Dogs and cats, and other animals, that have a great deal of motion in their backs, have their livers divided into many distinct lobules;

lobules; which, by moving one against another, comply with those motions, which else would break their livers to pieces.

The gall-bladder is a receptacle of bile, feated in the hollow fide of the liver; it is composed of one denfe coat fomewhat mufcular, which is covered with a membrane like that of the liver; and is also lined with another, that cannot easily be separated. . Modern anatomists have described a number of small ducts leading from the liver to the gallbladder, by which they suppose the gall-bladder is filled; and these I thought I had seen in a human body that died of a jaundice, when I was a very young anatomist; but never being able to see any fince in any animal, though I have made very diligent inquiry by experiments and diffection, I am now perfuaded that there are no fuch ducts; for if they are too little to be feen or filled by injections, I think they are too little for the end for which they are affigned. As to the argument for the existence of such ducts, which is fetched from the difficulty of the gall-bladder's being filled through the ductus cyfticus from the ductus hepaticus, I think it is of little weight, feeing the vesiculæ seminales are filled with a thicker fluid through a less direct passage. From the gall-bladder towards the duodenum runs a duct called cyfticus; and from the liver to this duct one called hepaticus, which carries off the gall this way, when the gall-bladder is full; then the ductus cyfticus and hepaticus

being united, commence ductus communis choledochus, which enters the duodenum obliquely about four inches below its beginning. The orifice of this duct in the gut is fomewhat eminent, but has no caruncle, as is commonly faid. As the liver, from its fituation in the fame cavity with the flomach, will be most pressed, and consequently separate most gall when the stomach is fullest, which is the time when it is most wanted; so the gall-bladder, being seated against the duodenum, it will have its sluid pressed out by the aliment passing through that gut, and consequently at a right time and in due proportion; because the greater that quantity of aliment is, the greater will be the compression; and so the contrary.

I know no way of computing, with any exactnefs, the quantity of bile that is ufually fecreted by
the liver in a given time; but if it is four times as
much as all the falivary glands fecrete, it may be
twenty-four ounces for every meal: to which being added fix ounces of faliva, which, from what
is observed in the chapter of the falivary glands, I
think will appear a moderate computation: and
fupposing the pancreas in the fame time fecretes
three ounces, there will then be thirty-three
ounces of fluids separated for the digestion of one
meal; and that these necessary fluids may not be
wasted in such quantities, they pass into the blood
with the chyle, and may be soon separated again for
the same use; and very likely, some of the same bile

may be employed more than once, for digefting part of the same meal: and as the liver exceeds all the glands in the body in magnitude, and its excretory ducts ending in the duodenum, it feems to me to be much more capable of making those large feparations from the blood, which are procured by cathartics, than the scarce visible glands of the guts. The liver ordinarily weighs, in a middle-fized man, about three pounds twelve ounces, the pancreas three ounces, and the spleen fourteen ounces. have feen a difeafed liver in a man that weighed fourteen pounds four ounces: and in a boy but nine years old, that died hydropic, the liver full of hydatids, and cyfts of hydatids adhering to it, which together weighed feven pounds one ounce and a half, though feveral pints of water had been let out of it before. The spleen in the same boy, together with the hydatids contained in its membrane, weighed three pounds. In a man I found a difeafed fpleen, weighing five pounds two ounces; and in an old man, fix foot high, I found a found liver weighing no more than twenty-eight ounces, and the fpleen but ten ounces: and in a man that had been cured of a dropfy I found a polypus very folid, almost filling the large branches of the porta in the liver, and a stone between the liver and gall-bladder, larger than a nutmeg.

· Pancreas, the fweet-bread, is a large gland of the falivary kind, lying across the upper and back part of the abdomen, near the duodenum; it

has a short excretory duct, about half as large as a crow quill, though it is commonly painted as large as the ductus communis choledocus: it always enters the duodenum together with the bile duct; but in dogs some distance from it; and, I think, always in two ducts distant from one another. The juice of this gland, together with the bile, helps to complete the digestion of the aliment, and renders it fit to enter the lacteal veffels. In a man that died of a jaundice, I found the ductus communis choledochus constricted by a scirrhous pancreas, the gall-bladder extended to the fize of a goofe egg, and all the ducts to twice their natural bigness. This is the case in which I thought I had so plainly feen the cystihepatic ducts: I once saw the ductus cyfticus obstructed, without the gall-bladder being diftended, which, I think, furnishes us with a very probable argument against the existence of cystihepatic ducts. In those who die of the jaundice, for the most part are found in the gall-bladder and the biliary ducts concretions of bile fo light as to fwim in water, yet are called gall-stones: these cause the jaundice, by obstructing the ducts: many of those who have been cured of this disease, have had great numbers of these stones found in their excrements. A patient of mine, who had voided by stool several of these stones, had afterwards two of half an inch diameter, which made their way through the integuments of the abdomen, and was cured without much pain. Oxen, as the fame ntleman tleman informed me, who have been long fed upon rymeat, abound with them; while others, fed with them, and afterwards turned to grafs, when killed, are found without them. This gentleman could never eat any herbs. He also informed me of a physician in France, that with great reputation cured the jaundice by giving his patients large quantities of the juice of herbs.

· The spleen is seated in the left hypochondrium, immediately under the diaphragm, and above the kidney, between the stomach and the ribs; it is supported by the sub-contained parts, and fixed to its place by an adhesion to the peritonæum and diaphragm; it is also connected to the omentum, as has been observed.. The figure of it is a fort of depressed oval, near twice as long as broad, and almost twice as broad as thick. Sometimes it is divided into lobules, but for the most part has only one or two fmall fiffures on its edge, and fometimes none; in its colour it refembles cast iron. The inner texture. in brutes, is vesicular, like the penis; in which veficles are found grumous blood, and fmall bodies like glands: but Ruysch denies that the human fpleen is of the fame texture. The fpleen I have feen taken out of a dog, without any remarkable inconvenience to him. I have twice, in a human body, feen three spleens, twice two, and once four; some of these were very small, others nearly equal, but altogether in any of these bodies were not larger than the one which is usually found.

CHAP. VI.

OF THE VASA LACTEA.

.VASA lactea are the venæ lacteæ, receptaculum chyli, and ductus thoracicus..

fine pellucid tubes, beginning from the small guts, and proceeding thence through the mesentery; they frequently unite, and form sewer and larger vessels, which first pass through the mesenteric glands, and then into the receptaculum chyli. These vessels, ere they arrive at the mesenteric glands, or in dogs the pancreas asellii, which is these glands collected, are called venæ lacteæ primi generis; and thence to their entrance into the receptaculum chyli, venæ lacteæ secundi generis. The office of these veins is to receive the fluid part of the digested aliment, which is called chyle, and convey it to the receptaculum chyli, that it may be thence carried through the ductus thoracicus into the blood vessels.

For the following excellent description, thus marked ", of the receptaculum chyli, and ductus thoracicus, I am obliged to Mr. Monro.

"Receptaculum chyli pecqueti, or faccus lac"teus van horne, is a membranous fomewhat
"pyriform bag, two thirds of an inch long,
"one third of an inch over in its largest part,
"when collapsed; situated on the first vertebra
"lumbrorum, to the right of the aorta, a little higher
"than

"than the arteria emulgens dextra, under the right inferior muscle of the diaphragm. It is formed by the union of three tubes; one from under the aorta, the second from the interstice of the aorta and cava, the third from under the emulgents of the right side. The sacchus chyliferus at its fuperior part becoming gradually smaller, is contracted into a slender membranous pipe of about a line diameter, well known by the name of

· "Ductus thoracicus. This passes betwixt the "appendices musculosæ diaphragmatis, on the "right of, and fomewhat behind the aorta, then "lodged in the cellular fubstance under the pleu-"ra; it mounts between this artery and vena fine "pari, or azygos, as far as the fifth vertebra "thoracis, where it is hid by the azygos, as-this "vein rifes forward to join the cava descendens; "after which the duct passes obliquely over to the "left fide under the œfophagus, aorta defcendens, "and great curvature of the aorta, until it reaches "the left carotid, stretching farther towards the "left internal jugular, by a circular turn, whose "convex part is uppermost: at the top of this arch "it splits into two for one half line, the superior "branch receiving into it a large lymphatic from "the cervical glands. This lymphatic appears, by "blowing and injections, to have two valves; "when the two branches are united, the duct con-"tinues its course to the internal jugular, behind "which it descends, and immediately at the left " fide M

"fide of the infertion of this vein, enters the fu-"perior and posterior part of the left subclavian, "whose internal membrane duplicated forms a se-"milunar externally convex valve that covers two "thirds of the orifice of the duct. Immediately "below this orifice a cervical vein from the muf-"culi scaleni enters the subclavian. The thin coat "and valves, commonly ten or twelve, of this duct, " are fo generally known, I need not mention them. "In my notes I find little variation in the recep-"taculum, only its different capacities in different "fubjects, and fometimes more ducts concurring "in the formation of it. The diameter of the duct "varies in most bodies, and in the same subject is "uniform, but frequently fudden enlargements or " facculi of it are observable. The divisions which "authors mention of this duct within the thorax "are very uncertain. In a woman I diffected last "fummer, at the eighth vertebra thoracis, one "branch climbed over the aorta, and about the "fifth vertebra flipped back again under that artery "to the other branch, which continued in the or-"dinary course. Last winter I found this duct of "a man discharging itself entirely into the right "fubclavian vein. The precife vertebra, where it "begins to turn towards the left, is also uncertain. "Frequently it does not split at its superior arch; "in which case a large faccus is found near its aper-"ture into the fubclavian vein. Go deally it has "but one orifice, though have feen to in one

"body, and three in another; nay, fometimes it divides into two under the curvature of the great artery; one goes to the right, another to the left fubclavian; this however is very rare. The lymphatic, which enters the fuperior arch, is often fent from the thyroid gland."

Supposing there ordinarily passes five pounds of chyle in a day through the lacteals, and that four ounces of this only are added to the blood (though it may be any other quantity, for aught I know) and that a man neither decreases or increases during this time, then all the separations from the fluids and solids must be just five pounds; four ounces of which must be those sluids and particles of solids, which are become unprofitable; and the remaining four pounds twelve ounces will serve as a vehicle to carry the four ounces off: so that we see for what reason more sluids are carried into the blood than are to be retained there, and how the body is by the same means both nourished and preserved in health.

CHAP. VII.

OF THE PLEURA, MEDIASTINUM, LUNGS, PERICARDIUM, AND HEART.

PLEURA is a fine membrane which lines the whole cavity of the thorax, except on the diaphragm, which is covered with no other than its own proper membrane. The back part of it is extended over the great vessels, like the peritonæum; and in regard this membrane passes partly under these vessels, as the peritonæum does in the abdomen, they may be said to lie in a duplicature of it; it serves to make the inside of the thorax smooth and equal.

· Mediastinum divides the thorax lengthways, from the sternum to the pericardium and pleura, which is a very short space, but in many brutes very considerable. It divides into two in men, but in brutes it is single; it divides the thorax not exactly in the middle, but towards the lest side, and is so disposed, that the two cavities, into which it divides the thorax, do not end toward this membrane in an angle, but a segment of a circle; it hinders one lobe of the lungs from incommoding the other, as in lying on one side the uppermost might do; and prevents the disorders of one lobe of the lungs from affecting the other.

The lungs are composed of two lobes, one seated on each side of the mediastinum; each of which

lobes

lobes are subdivided into two or three lobules, which are most distinctly divided in such animals as have most motion in their backs, for the same end that the liver is in the same animals... They are each composed of very fmall cells, which are the extremities of the aspera arteria or bronchos. figure of these cells is irregular; yet they are fitted to each other fo as to have common fides, and leave no void space. Into these cells the blood vessels discharge a large quantity of lymph, or materia perfpirabilis, which at once keeps them from being dried by the air, and makes a large and necessary difcharge from the blood, as has already been observed upon the subject of perspiration through the skin. Dr. WILLIS has given a very particular description of the inner texture of the lungs, but it is only imaginary and false, as he, and they who have copied his cuts and descriptions, could not but have known, if they had ever made the least inquiry into the lungs of any animal; nor is his account of the lymphatics on the furface of the lungs, at all more true than that of their texture. In the membranes of these cells are distributed the branches of the pulmonary artery and vein. The known uses of the air's entering the lungs, are to be instrumental in speech, and to convey effluvia into the nose, as it passes for the sense of smelling; but the great use of it, by which life is preserved, I think we do not understand. By some the force of the air is thought to feparate the globuli of the blood that

have cohered in the flow circulation through the veins; and this opinion feems to be favoured by the many instances of polypuses, which are large concretions of the globuli of the blood, found in the veins near the heart, and in the right auricle and ventricle of the heart; and their being so feldom found in the pulmonary veins, or in the left auricle or ventricle of the heart, or in any of the arteries; but if it is true that, while the blood passes through the lungs, many cohering globuli are feparated, yet it remains to be proved that thefe feparations are made by the force of the air. Dr. Keil has computed the force of the air in the strongest exspirations against the sides of all the vesicles, to be equal to fifty thousand pound weight; which though we should grant, we shall still sind the moment of the air in the lungs exceeding fmall in any fmall space. For the velocity with which the air moves in the lungs is as much less than that with which it moves in the wind-pipe, as the square of a section of the cells in the lungs is greater than the square of a section of the wind-pipe; and therefore if the square of all the extreme blood-vessels in the lungs do not bear a greater proportion to the square of the large pulmonary vessels than the square of the cells do to the wind-pipe, and if the blood in these large veffels moves as fast as the air in the wind-pipe, then the blood moving in the smallest vessels of the lungs with a velocity equal to that of the air in the cells, the blood will have as much more attrition from the power that moves it in its own vessels, than the air can give upon them, as blood is heavier than air. Besides, air pressing equally to all sides, and the globuli of the blood fwimming in a fluid; this pressure, be it what it will, I think, can be of little use to make such separations. Indeed it may be objected that the greatest pressure is in exspiration, yet that furely cannot be very great, while the air has fo free a passage out of them. Others have thought, that the air enters the blood-veffels from the cells in the lungs, and mixes with the blood; but this opinion, however probable, wants fufficient experiments to prove it; air being found in the blood, as it certainly is, is no proof of its entering this way, because it may enter with the chyle: nor is the impossibility which has been urged of its entering at the lungs without the blood being liable to come out the same way into the veficles of the lungs, a good argument to the contrary; for if a pliable duct passes between the membranes of a veilel, through a space greater than the square of its orifice, no fluid can return, because the pressure which should force it back will be greater against the sides of that duct than its orifice; which is the case of the bile-duct entering the duodenum, and the ureters entering the bladder. I think the most probable argument for the air's entering into the blood by the lungs, or rather some particular part of the air, may be fetched from a known experiment of each man in a diving bell wanting

wanting near a gallon of fresh air in a minute; and if pressure only was wanted in this case, they often descend, till the pressure of the air is three or four times what it is upon the furface of the earth, without any advantage from that pressure; and animals dying fo foon in air that has been burnt, and their being fo eafily intoxicated by breathing air much impregnated with spirituous liquors, are also arguments of a passage this way into the blood. Besides, if pressure of the air in the cells of the lungs is the only use of it, I do not see but enough of that may be had while a man is hanging, if the muscles of the thorax do but act upon the air which was left in the thorax when the rope was first fixed, and yet death is brought about by hanging no other way than by interrupting of the breath, as I have found by certain experiments. Dr. DRAKE has endeavoured to shew, that the use of respiration is to affift the fyftole of the heart; but this use requires that the fystole and diastole of the heart should keep time with exspiration and inspiration, which is contrary to experience. The lungs of animals, before they have been dilated with air, are specifically heavier than water; but upon inflation they become specifically lighter, and swim in water; which experiment may be made to discover whether a dead child was still born, or not; but if the child has breathed but a little, and the experiment is made long after, the lungs may be collapsed and grow heavier than water, as I have experiment-

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ed, which may fometimes lead a man to give a wrong judgment in a court of judicature, but then it will be on the charitable fide of the question. Adhesions of the lungs to the pleura are in men so common, that I know not how to call it a disease; they being found so more or less in most adult persons, and without any inconvenience, if the lungs are not rotten.

- Pericardium, or heart-purse, is an exceeding strong membrane which covers the heart; its side next the great vessels is partly connected to them, and partly to the basis of the heart, but, I think, not properly perforated by those vessels; and its lower side is inseparable from the tendinous part of the diaphragm, but not so in brutes, in some of which there is a membranous bag between it and the diaphragm, which contains a lobule of the lungs. It incloses all the heart to its basis; its uses are to keep the heart in its place, without interrupting its office, to keep it from having any friction with the lungs, and to contain a liquor to lubricate the surface of the heart, and abate its friction against the pericardium.
- . The heart is a muscle of a conic figure, with two cavities or ventricles; its basis is fixed by the vessels going to and from it, upon the fourth and fifth vertebræ of the thorax; its apex, or point, is inclined downward and to the left side, where it is received in a cavity of the left lobe of the lungs, as may be observed, the lungs being extended

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with air. This incumbrance on the left lobe of the lungs, I imagine, is the cause of that side's being most subject to those pains which are usually called pleuritic, which I have ever found upon diffecting of them to be inflammations in the lungs.

· At the basis of the heart, on each side, are situated the two auricles to receive the blood; the right from the two venæ cavæ, and the left from the pulmonary veins; in the right, at the meeting of the cavæ, is an eminence called tuberculum Lowers, which directs the blood into the auricle; immediately below this tubercle, in the ending of the cava ascendens, is the vestigium of the foramen ovale (vid. chap. Of the fœtus;) and near this, in the auricle, is the mouth of the coronary veins. Both auricles are strengthened by muscular columnæ, like the ventricles. The left is much lefs than the right; but the difference is supplied by a large muscular cavity, which the veins from the lungs afford in that place. The fides of this mufcular cavity are thicker than the fides of the right auricle, in about that proportion, in which the left ventricle of the heart is stronger than the right; their uses being to receive blood from the veins that lead to the heart, and press it into the ventricles, a strength in each auricle proportionable to the strength of the ventricle that it is to fill with blood, feems necessary: and this different thickness of the coats of the auricles makes the blood in the left, which is thickest, appear through it of a paler red; but when it is let out of the auricles, it appears alike from both; which they would do well to examine, who affirm the blood returns from the lungs of a more florid colour than it went in; and offer it as an argument of the blood's being mixed with air in the lungs. The ventricles or cavities in the heart which receive the blood, are hollow muscles, or two cavities in one muscle, whose fibres interfect one another, so as to make the pressure of the heart upon the blood more equal and effectual, and are also less liable to be separated than they would have been, if they had lain in one direction. Both these cavities receiving the fame quantitics of blood in the fame times, and always acting together, must be equal in fize, if they equally discharge what they contain at every fystole, as I doubt not but they do; nevertheless the left appears lefs than the right, it being found empty in dead bodies, and the right usually full of blood; which made the ancients think the veins and the right ventricle only were for the blood to move in, and that the left and the arteries contained only animal spirits. The left ventricle is much the thickest and strongest, its office being to drive the blood through the whole body, while the right propels it through the lungs only. Over the entrance of the auricles in each ventricle, are placed valves to hinder the return of blood while the heart contracts. Those in the right ventricle are named tricuspides, those in the left mitrales. One of these last scems to do further service, by covering the mouth

mouth of the aorta while the ventricle fills; which fuffering none of the blood to pass out of this ventricle into the aorta before the ventricle acts, it will be able to give greater force to the blood than it otherwise might have done; because a greater quantity of blood more fully distending the ventricle, and making the greater refistance, it will be capable of receiving the greater impressed force from the ventricle; and if the blood is no way hindered in the right ventricle from getting into the pulmonary artery, while the ventricle dilates, as it is in the left, the left then may be fomewhat bigger than the right, if they both empty themselves alike in every fystole. Though the auricles of the heart are equal to each other, and the two ventricles also equal or nearly equal, yet the auricles are not fo large as the ventricles; for the ventricles contain not only all the blood which flowed from the veins into the auricles, during the contraction of the heart, but also that which flows (which will be directly into the heart) while the auricles contract, and the ventricles dilate; which leads us to the exact knowledge of the use of the auricles. If the fystole and diastole of the heart are performed in equal times, then the auricles must be half the fize of the ventricles; or whatever proportion the space of time of the systole of the heart bears to the space in which the fystole and diastole are both performed, that proportion will the cavities of the auricles hear to the cavities of the ventricles. The inner fibres

fibres of each ventricle are disposed into small cords, which are called columnæ: from fome of these stand small portions of slesh called papillæ; these papillæ are tied to the valves by flender fibres, whereby they keep the valves from being preffed into the auricles by the action of the blood against them in the fystole of the heart: and when that is over, the blood flowing in between them opens them, as the pressure of blood on the other side shuts them in the fystole. For the course of the blood through this part, vid. chap. Of the course of the aliment and fluids. In the beginning of each artery from the heart are placed three valves, which look forward, and close together to hinder a regress of blood into the ventricles. Those in the pulmonary artery are named figmoidales, those in the aorta, femilunares. For the canalis arteriofus, vid. chap. Of the fœtus.

In a boy I found a great quantity of pus in the pericardium, and the basis of the heart ulcerated. In persons that have died of a dropsy, I have usually observed the heart large, its sibres lax, and the vessels about it immoderately distended, and polypuses sometimes in both auricles and ventricles, and in the large veins; but more frequently in the right auricle and ventricle. Mr. Pile has prepared a heart thus diseased, whose circumference from the vertex round the base of the auricles measures twenty-sour inches and a quarter, and round the base of the ventricles seventeen

inches and a half. I diffected a man that died tabid, in whom the pericardium universally adhered to the heart, and a portion of the muscular part of the heart was offified as large as a fixpence. The beginning of the aorta is frequently seen offified, especially in aged persons. In a woman that died of a dropsy, I found the valves of the aorta quite covered with chalk-stones, which not suffering the valves to do their office, the left ventricle of the heart was constantly overcharged with blood, and distended to above twice its natural bigness, which, I imagine, destroyed the economy of the body, and occasioned the dropsy.

Upon opening the body of a person, who died with excessive palpitations of the heart and uneven pulse, which began after very hard drinking, in extreme hot weather, some years before, I found about ten inches of the aorta nearest the heart distended three times its natural diameter; and in a man one hundred and three years old, I found the same part of the aorta extended twice its natural capacity, without any symptom of such a disorder when living.

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PROM the right ventricle of the heart arifes the pulmonary artery, which foon divides into two branches, one to each lobe of the lungs; then they fubdivide into smaller and smaller branches, until they are distributed through every part of the lungs. From the extreme branches of the pulmonary artery arise the small branches of the pulmonary veins; which, as they approach the left auricle of the heart, unite in such a manner as the pulmonary artery divides going from the heart, only that the veins enter the muscular appendix of the left auricle in several branches, and the blood being brought back from the lungs by these vessels to the left auricle and ventricle of the heart, it is from the left ventricle of the heart thrown into the aorta.

· Aorta, or great artery, arises from the left ventricle of the heart, and deals out branches to every part of the body. The first part of this vessel is called aorta ascendens; it passes over the left pulmonary artery, and veins, and branch of the aspera arteria, and being reslected under the left lobe of the lungs, it commences aorta descendens; which name it keeps through the thorax and abdomen, where it passes on the left side of the spine, till its division

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division into iliac arteries between the third and fourth vertebræ of the loins..

- · From under two of the femilunar valves of the aorta, which is ere it leaves the heart, arise two branches (fometimes but one) which are bestowed upon the heart, and are called coronariæ cordis. From the curved part of the aorta, which is about two or three inches above the heart, arife the fubclavian and carotid arteries; the right fubclavian and carotid in one trunk, but the left fingle.. By fome authors these vessels have been described in a different manner; but I believe their descriptions were, for want of human bodies, taken from brutes p for I have never yet feen any variety in these vessels in human bodies, though I have in the veins nearer the heart: and indeed there feems to me to be a mechanical reason for their going off in the manner here described, in human bodies; for the right fubclavian and carotid arteries necesfarily going off from the aorta at a much larger angle than the left, the blood would move more freely into the left than the right, if the right did not go off in one trunk, which gives less friction to the blood than two branches equal in capacity to that one; fo that the advantage the left have by going off from the aorta at much acuter angles than the right, is made up to the right by their going off at first in but one branch.
- · The carotid arteries run on both fides the larynx to the fixth foramina of the fcull, through which

which they enter to the brain; but as they pass through the neck, they detach branches to every part about them, which branches are called by the names of the parts they are bestowed upon; as, laryngeæ, thyroideæ, pharyngeæ, linguales, temporales, occipitales, faciales, &c. but just before they enter the fixth foramina of the fcull, they each fend a fmall branch through the fifth foramina to that part of the dura mater which contains the cerebrum. It is these arteries which make those impressions which are constantly observed on the infide of the offa bregmatis: these branches, Mr. Monro observes, oftener arise from the temporal arteries. The internal carotids fend two branches to the back part of the nofe, and feveral branches through the first and fecond foramina of the scull to the face and parts contained within the orbits of the eyes, and then piercing the dura mater, they each divide into two branches, one of which they fend under the falx of the dura mater, between the two hemispheres of the brain, and the other between the anterior and posterior lobes. These branches take a great many turns, and divide into very fmall branches in the pia mater before they enter the brain, as if the pulse of larger arteries would make too violent an impression on so tender and delicate a part. And perhaps it may be from an increase of the impulse of the arteries in the brain, which strong liquors produce, that the nerves are so much interrupted in their uses throughout the whole

whole body, when a man is intoxicated with drinking; and may it not also be from a like cause that men are delirious in fevers? Besides these two arteries, viz. the carotids, the brain has two more, called cervicales, which arife from the fubclavian arteries, and ascend to the head through the foramina, in the transverse processes of the cervical vertebræ, and into the fcull through the tenth or great foramen. These two arteries uniting soon after their entrance, they give off branches to the cerebellum, and then passing forward, divide and communicate with the carotids; and the carotid arteries communicating with each other, there is an entire communication between them all; and these communicant branches are fo large that every one of these four great vessels, with all their branches, may be eafily filled with wax through any one of them.

The subclavian arteries are each continued to the cubit in one trunk, which is called axillaris as it passes the arm-pits, and humeralis as it passes by the inside of the os humeri, between the muscles that bend and extend the cubit. From the subclavians within the breast arise the arteriæ mammariæ, which run on the inside of the sternum, and lower than the cartilago ensistem is. Soon after the arteria humeralis has passed the joint of the cubit, it divides into two branches, called cubitalis superior, and cubitalis inferior; which latter soon sends off a branch, called cubitalis media, which is bestowed

upon the muscles feated about the cubit. The cubitalis superior passes near the radius, and round the root of the thumb, and gives one branch to the back of the hand, and two to the thumb; one to the first finger and a branch to communicate with the cubitalis inferior. The cubitalis inferior passes near the ulna to the palm of the hand, where it takes a turn, and fends one branch to the outfide of the little finger, another between that and the next finger, dividing to both, another in the fame manner to the two middle fingers, and another to the two fore fingers. These branches which are bestowed on the fingers run one on each side of each finger internally to the top, where they have fmall communications, and very often there is a branch of communication between the humeral and inferior cubital arteries. This communicant branch is fometimes very large, and liable to be pricked by carelefs or injudicious blood-letters, in bleeding in the bafilic vein, immediately under which, as far as I have been able to observe, this branch always lies. Mr. Monro has found the subclavian artery divided, in one subject, into two, the exterior of which formed the cubitalis superior, and the inner artery, the cubitalis inferior; from which structure he accounts for the success in the operation of the ancurism sometimes performed above the cubit. When the operation for an aneurism is made upon this communicant branch, it is found necessary to tie it on both sides of the orifice, N 2

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orifice, because the blood is liable to flow freely into it either way.

· From the descending aorta on each side is sent a branch under every rib, called intercostalis, and about the fourth vertebra of the back it fends off two branches to the lungs, called bronchiales, which are sometimes both given off from the aorta, sometimes one of them from the intercostal of the fourth rib on the right side j. and as the aorta passes under the diaphragm, it fends two branches into the diaphragm, called arteriæ phrenicæ, which fometimes rife in one trunk from the aorta, and fometimes from the cœliaca; but oftener the right from the aorta, and the left from the cœliaca. Immediately below the diaphragm arifes the coeliac artery from the aorta; it foon divides into feveral branches, which are bestowed upon the liver, pancreas, fpleen, stomach, omentum, and duodenum. These branches are named from the parts they are bestowed on, except two that are bestowed upon the stomach, which are called coronaria superior and inferior, and the branch bestowed upon the duodenum, which is named intestinalis. At a very small diftance below the arteria cœliaca from the aorta arifes the mesenterica superior, whose branches are bestowed upon all the intestinum jejunum and ilium, part of the colon, and fometimes one branch upon the liver. A little lower than the fuperior mefenteric artery arise the emulgents, which are the arteries of the kidneys. And a little lower than the emulgents, forward

ward from the aorta, arise the arteriæ spermaticæ; for which, vid. chap. Of the parts of generation in men. Lower laterally the aorta fends branches to the loins, called lumbales; and one forward, to the lower part of the colon and the rectum, called mesenterica inferior. Between the arteria cœliaca, mesenterica superior and inferior, and the branches of each near the guts, there are large communicant branches to convey the blood from one to another, when they are either compressed by excrements, or from any other cause.

· As foon as the aorta divides upon the loins, it fends off an artery into the pelvis upon the os facrum, called arteria facra, and the branches the aorta divides into are called iliacæ, which in about two inches space divide into external and internal.. The iliacæ internæ first send off the umbilical arteries, which are dried up in adult bodies, except at their beginnings, which are kept open for the collateral branches on each fide, one to the bladder, and one to the penis in men, and in women the uterus: the rest of these branches are bestowed upon the buttocks and upper parts of the thighs. The iliacæ externæ run over the offa pubis into the thighs; and as they pass out of the abdomen they fend off branches, called epigastricæ to the fore part of the integuments of the abdomen under the recti muscles. And the epigastric arteries fend each a branch into the pelvis, and through the foramina of the offa innominata to the muscles thereabouts. thereabouts. · As foon as the iliac artery is passed out of the abdomen into the groin it is called inguinalis, and in the thigh cruralis, where it fends, a large branch to the back part of the thigh; but the great trunk is continued internally between the flexors and extensors of the thigh, and passing through the infertion of the triceps muscle into the ham, it is there called poplitea; then below the joint it divides into two branches, one of which is called tibialis antica; it passes between the tibia and fibula to the fore part of the leg, and is beflowed upon the great toe, and one branch to the next toe to the great one, and another between these toes, to communicate with the tibialis postica; which artery, foon after it is divided from the antica, fends off the tibialis media, which is beflowed upon the muscles of the leg; the tibialis postica goes to the bottom of the foot and all the lesser toes. The tibialis antica is disposed like the cubitalis superior; the postica like the cubitalis inferior; and the mediæ in each have also like uses. These arteries which I have described, are uniform in most bodies, but the leffer branches are distributed like the branches of trees, in so different a manner in one body from another, that it is highly probable no two bodies are exactly alike, nor the two fides in any one body.

I have once feen a rupture of matter, and once of blood and matter, which flowed out of the abdomen into the fore part of the thigh, through the fame passage at which the iliac artery goes out of the abdomen.

- · The veins arise from the extremities of the arteries, and make up trunks which accompany the arteries in almost every part of the body, and have the fame names in the feveral places which the arteries have, which they accompany. The veins of the brain unload themselves into the sinuses (vid. chap. Of the dura and pia mater) and the finuses into the internal jugulars and cervicals; and the internal jugulars and cervicals into the fubclavians, which joining, make the cava descendens. The internal jugulars are feated by the carotid arteries, and receive the blood from all the parts which the carotids ferve, except the hairy scalp and part of the neck, whose veins enter into the external jugulars, which run immediately under the musculus quadratus genæ, often two on each fide. The cervical veins descend two through the foramina in the transverse processes of the cervical vertebræ, and two through the great foramen of the spine, and one on each fide the spinal marrow; these join at the lowest vertebra of the neck, and then empty into the fubclavians, and at the interffices of all the vertebræ communicate with one another.
- The veins of the limbs are more than double the number of the arteries, there being one on each fide each artery, even to the smallest branches that we can trace, besides the veins which lie immediately under the skin. Those which accompany the arteries,

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arteries, have the fame names with the arteries; those which run immediately under the skin on the back of the hand, have no proper names; they run from thence to the bend of the elbow, where the uppermost is called cephalica, the next mediana, the next basilica. These all communicate near the joint of the elbow, and then fend one branch which is more directly from the cephalica, and bears that name until it enters the fubclavian vein; it passes ' immediately under the skin, in most bodies, between the flexors and extensors of the cubit, on the upper fide of the arm. The other branches joining, and receiving those which accompany the arterics of the cubit, they pass with them by the artery of the arm into the fubclavian vein. The external veins have frequent communications with the internal, and are always fullest when we use the most exercise; because the blood being expanded by the heat which exercise produces, it requires the vessels to be distended; and the inner vessels being compressed by the actions of the muscles, they cannot dilate enough; but thefe veffels being feated on the outsides of the muscles, are capable of being much dilated; and this feems to me to be the chief use of these external vessels. The cephalic vein, as it runs up the arm, is very visible in most men, but in children is rarely to be feen; therefore great-care should be taken not to wound it in the cutting of iffues in children's arms; and I know no way to be fure of avoiding it, but by cutting the

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iffue more externally than is usual in men, which may be done without any inconvenience.

· In the thorax, befides the two cavæ, there is a vein called azygos, or vena fine pari; it is made up of the intercostal, phrenic, and bronchial veins, and enters the descending cava near the auricle, as if its use was to divert the descending blood from falling too directly upon the blood in the ascending cava, and direct the blood of the descending cava into the auricle.

· In the abdomen (besides the cava ascendens and the veins which are named like the arteries, viz. the emulgents from the kidneys, the lumbal and fpermatic veins, the facra, iliac, and hypogastric veins) there is one large one called vena porta, whose branches arise from all the branches of the cœliac and two mesenteric arteries, except those branches of the coeliac and fuperior mesenteric, which are bestowed on the liver, and uniting in one trunk enters the liver, and is there again diftributed like an artery, and has its blood collected and brought into the cava by the branches of the cava in the liver; this vein being made use of instead of an artery to carry blood to the liver, for the separation of bile. It moves here about eight times flower than in the arteries hereabouts; and this flow circulation being supposed necessary, I think, there feems no other way fo fit to procure it; for if an artery had been employed for this use, and been thus much dilated in fo short a passage,

the blood would not have moved fo uniformly in it, but faster through its axis than near its sides; and besides, it is very probable that the blood in this vein, having been first employed in nourishing several parts, and having through a long space moved slowly, may be made thereby sitter for the separation of bile, than blood carried by an artery dilated to procure a circulation of the same velocity with that in this vein.

In the leg the veins accompany the arteries in the fame manner as in the arm, the external veins of the foot being on the upper fide, and from them is derived one called faphena, which is continued on the infide of the limb its whole length, and has feveral names given it from the feveral places through which it passes.

The arteries have three coats; a middle mufcular, and an external and internal membranous. The veins are faid to have the fame; the internal coat of an artery may be pretty cafily feparated, but not the external; and though the veins have mufcular fibres, yet I could never feparate any one diftinctly into three coats; and in the infide of the veins there are many valves, especially in the lower limbs, to hinder any reflux of the venal blood, which otherwise would have happened from the frequent actions of the muscles on the outsides of the veins; and both the arteries and veins, as they run in the infide of the limb, or as they are dispersed in parts that suffer great extensions, as the

stomach, guts, and uterus, they are curved fo much as that when these parts come to be distended, they may comply with those distensions by only being straitened, and so preserved from being stretched, which would lessen their diameters. The fmall arteries near the heart go off from the large trunks at obtuse angles, farther at less obtuse angles, then at right angles, farther still at acute angles, and near the extremities at very acute angles, because the blood in the vessels far from the heart moving with lefs velocity than the blood in the vessels near the heart, the blood in the collateral branches more remote from the heart wants the advantage of a directer course; and because a very large branch arifing out of another, might weaken too much the fides of the veffel it would arise from, that inconvenience is prevented by increasing the number, and so lessening the fize of the collateral branches, where otherwife one large branch would have ferved better; as in the going off of the fubclavian and carotid arteries, which might have gone off for some space in one trunk; but this mechanism is more evident in the going off of the arteria cœliaca and mesenterica superior. And the small arteries always divide fo as that the leffer branch may lie least in the direction of the blood flowing into them, which makes the blood flow most freely into that branch that hath farthest to carry it; and the fmaller branches arise more or less obliquely from the fides of other arteries, according to the proportion

proportion they bear to the arteries they arise from, because an artery comparatively large arising obliquely from the side of another, would make an orisice in that it arises from too large, and weaken it. And both these ends are at once brought about, by making the arteries, that give off the branches, bend more or less toward the branches they give off, according to the comparative magnitude of the branches given off.

Borelli has computed the force which the heart exerts at every fystole, to be equal to three thousand pounds weight, and the force which all the arteries exert at every fystole, to be equal to fixteen thousand pounds weight, and that they together overcome a force equal to an hundred and thirty-fix thousand pounds weight; and Dr. Keil has computed that the heart in every fystole exerts a force not exceeding eight ounces. The first computation was made by comparing the heart with other muscles, whose power to fustain a weight could be best determined; and the latter was made from the velocity of the blood moving in an artery: therefore if we confider that BORELLI's way of computing led him to find out the absolute force of the heart, and Dr. Keil's the force which the heart usually exerts, perhaps these very different computations may be accounted for; for if the force of the heart, which is constantly exerted, should, compared with any other muscle, be but in a reciprocal proportion to the frequency of their actions, and the importance of their uses; may not the heart very fitly have a force vaftly greater than usually it exerts, because it is always in action, and must be able to exert a certain force in the lowest state of health? What force the heart ever exerts in a grown man, I cannot fay; but it must be less in each ventricle than is fufficient to burst the valves, which hinder the blood from returning into the auricles out of the ventricles, or than is fufficient to break those threads by which these valves are tied to the In a dog, I found the force which the heart would exert, would not raife to one foot perpendicular height a column of blood through the aorta ascendens. And when I inject the arteries of a child, I find a force exceeding little will throw water through all the veffels, with a velocity equal to that with which the blood moves in those vessels when living. And if the heart, like other mufcles, can perform the first part of its contraction with most ease, are not the quick actions of the heart in hectic fevers owing to its not being able to empty the ventricles every fyftole, which, I think, will oblige it to act, cæteris paribus, fo much the oftener? For the following ingenious attempt to account for the fystole and diastole of the heart, and the reciprocal actions of the auricles and ventricles, I am obliged to Mr. Monro.

"Postulata, that the action of the muscles de-"pends on the influx of blood and liquidum ner-"vosum into the muscular fibres, and therefore,

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"whenever the muscles are deprived of either or " both these fluids, their action ceases; this a great " many authors have fully proved by tying and "cutting the nerves and arteries that ferve any " muscle. That all muscles are in a constant state " of contraction as long as the blood and liquidum " nervofum are freely supplied to them, which " feems evident from the sphincter ani and vesica, " and from the continued contraction of fuch mus-"cles, whose antagonists are cut afunder, or pa-"ralytic. That the nerves of the heart run to it " between the auricles and arteries, and that the " arteriæ coronariæ rife from the aorta behind the " valvulæ femilunares, both which are evident from " diffections. If then both auricles and ventricles " are ready, upon the first communication of mo-" tion, to contract at the fame time, the ventricles, " as Dr. Kell well observes, being stronger, will " first contract, and hinder the contraction of the " auricles, which must be in the mean time much "dilated by the influx of blood from the veins, " while the arteries are also distended by the blood "thrown out of the ventricles; therefore the car-"diac nerves lying between the two will be com-" pressed, and the course of the liquids in them stop-" ped; at the fame time the blood that rushes out " of the left ventricle into the aorta, pushes the "valves of that artery upon the orifices of the ar-"teriæ coronariæ, fo that no blood can enter into "the substance of the heart; thus both causes of " contraction

" contraction failing, this muscle must become pa-" ralytic. The refistance then to the contraction of "the auricles being now removed, they will throw " their blood into the ventricles; and the impulsion " of blood into the arteries from the heart now also " ceasing, the two great arteries will be constrict-"ed: the nerves are therefore now again free from "compression, and the valves of the aorta being "thrust back upon the mouth of the ventricle, the " blood enters the arteriæ coronariæ; fince the ven-"tricles are again supplied with both the liquids " on which their contraction depends, they must " again act. And thus as long as these causes con-"tinue, their effects must follow, i. e. as long as "the creature lives, the heart must have an al-" ternate fystole and diastole, and the auricles and " ventricles have reciprocal actions."

If the arteries contract, suppose, a fourth part of the squares of their diameters at every systole, and if the heart does not throw out a quantity at every systole, equal to the fourth part of the solid contents of all the arteries when dilated, it is evident the heart does not throw the blood through the whole arterial system, but into so much of the arteries nearest the heart, as will contain four times as much as is thrown out of the left ventricle at once: and then this portion of arteries throws the blood forwards and dilates the arteries that lie next, and so on: but if the capacities of all the arteries taken together in their utmost dilatations, exceed

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their capacities in their utmost contractions, just so much as the quantity of blood amounts to, which is thrown out of the left ventricle of the heart at every fystole, which I believe is the case, then every contraction of the heart propels the blood through the whole arterial fystem, which may be the reason why the largest animals, cæteris paribus, have the flowest pulses and least vigour in their motions, and perhaps too for the same reason require a less proportion of food. The fections of all the remoter veffels being greater than a fection of the aorta, the blood will move fo much flower in the leffer veffels than in the greater, as the fections of the leffer veffels taken together exceed the fection of the greater vessel or vessels. The strength of the coats of the arteries, if the blood pressed equally against the fides of them all, cæteris paribus, ought to be one to another as their circumferences, because so much as the circumference of one artery is greater than another, fo much greater proffure its fides must fustain; but the arteries nearest the heart, fustaining the re-action of all the arterial blood, they must have a strength yet greater than in that proportion; and the veffels, both arteries and veins, the more distant they are from the head, the greater proportional strength their coats must have, because the arterial and venal blood communicating, they will press upon the lower veffels, with a force proportional to the perpendicular altitude of blood above, which will be that of

the perpendicular altitude of the whole body; for though the ascending blood of the arteries may be faid not to press upon the descending, because it moves another way, nevertheless, it being thrown from the heart into one common vessel, which afterwards divides, the blood moving both ways communicates, and that force which is necessary to overcome the natural inclination of the afcending blood to descend, will be impressed also upon the descending blood, which is just the same with the weight of the ascending blood; and the veins both from above and below communicating at the right auricle, the pressure in them will also be as the perpendicular altitude of the body. So that the blood in all the veins and arteries may be compared to a fluid in a curved tube, in which that part in one leg exactly balances that in the other, and both pressing most upon those parts which are nearest the centre of the earth. Accordingly we find by experience, that humours are most apt to flow to the lowest parts, and that by laying those parts upon a level with the whole body, this inconvenience is remedied; but laying a leg only on a chair does it but in part, just so much as the perpendicular altitude of the body from that part is shortened. There is also to be considered concerning the thickness of the coats of the veffels, that the blood moving flower in the small vessels than in the great, the moment of the blood against the sides of a small vessel will be as much less than the moment of the blood against

against equal parts of a great one, as the velocity of the blood in a small vessel is less than that in a great one; and therefore their coats may also differ from the former proportion, as the velocity of the blood differs. Most of the small vessels in the limbs lying against one another are a mutual support, and therefore less liable to be dilated or burst than capillaries which lie in the thin membranes of cavities, fuch as in the nose. Hence these, I suppose, are most subject to hæmorrhages. And if hæmorrhages of blood do frequently arise from obstructions in the minutest vessels, does it not appear how opium and the bark, if they thin the blood inwardly taken (as they do most powerfully when mixed with it) come to be fo often effectual remedies in that case? And the coats of the lesser vessels being proportionably weaker than the great ones, according to the decrease of the velocity of the blood, which lessens the moment with which it moves in them, whenever the blood begins to move in them with an equal velocity, or greater, as it happens after an amputation, when the larger veffels are tied, the force of the blood fometimes overcomes the strength of the coats of the smaller vessels, and dilates them fo, that those vessels which scarce bled during the operation, will fomctimes bleed after-And this constant effort of the blood to dilate veffels upon the obstructions of others may cause those throbbing pains which are felt in wounds when the bleeding is stopped, and in all violent violent inflammations, until the collateral branches are dilated, or the tension of the parts otherwise taken off.

· The extreme branches both of the arteries and veins have very numerous communications, like those in the stamina of the leaves of plants, by which communications the blood that is obstructed in any veffels may pass off by other veffels that are not obstructed; and the moment of the blood in the veffels leffening, and the friction from the veffels increasing as it approaches the extremities; and as many of the leffer veffels are more exposed to pressure than any of the large ones, those communications in the leffer veffels are therefore made more numerous. By means of these communications, the blood circulates in a limb that has had part amputated, and into any vessels that have been separated from the trunks that supplied them, which otherwise must have mortified for want of nourishment, and with them, for the fame reason, all the branches that arise from such separated vessels; and I can discern no other way than by these communications, that the fluids contained in a large inflammation can suppurate into one cavity.

If we inject by the arteries a large quantity of a coloured fluid, we find all the large veins full of that liquor before any of the folid parts are much coloured with it; and upon frequent repetitions all of them much less coloured than, I think, might be

expected, if it had gone into all the vessels of the body; and I have often thrown wax or tallow, coloured with vermilion or verdigreafe, through all the arteries, and back again through the veins, even to the heart, every where filling veffels that cannot be difcerned without a microscope; and all this without filling or much discolouring any one entire part. In viewing with a microscope the circulation of the blood in the tail of a fish, the eye eafily traces arteries to their extremities, and their return in veins; yet all the vessels we can see make but a fmall part of the whole of what we fee; though we are taught that the whole animal body is a compages of veffels, fuch as we fee: but if it were fo, I think, we could not well diftinguish any; and if the fum of the diameters of all the veffels we can fee, are to that of the breadths and thicknesses of all the rest of the parts, which we see at the fame time, taken together, but as one to five, these vessels then are no more than the twentyfifth part of what we fee with them. What then shall we suppose the rest of the tail, and those parts which were fo little tinged, and those which were not filled with wax, in the foregoing experiments, composed of? Are they not composed of vessels which arise from the arteries, as excretory ducts do in a gland, but terminate in the veins? And these vessels being only to convey the nutritious juices, and what else may be a proper vehicle for them, is it not fit the circulation in them should be exceeding

eceding flow, that the nutritious particles may adhere the easier to the fibres of the vessels, which they are to augment or repair? Besides, if any whole part was made up of blood veffels, or any other vessels with sluids moving swiftly in them, it feems to me impossible, that one part of a limb can be very cold while another part is hot, if the warmth of the parts is owing to the fluids they contain. And if there are fuch veffels as these, the velocity of the motion of their fluids will not depend upon any proportion they bear to the veffels they arise from, but upon the velocity with which their fluids are separated from the arteries into them, and the proportion of the sections of all their orifices to the sum of their own sections, at any distance where we would compare the velocity of their fluids. And the strength of the coats of these veffels may not only be as much less than the strength of the coats of an artery, as their diameters are less, but also less in that proportion in which the velocity of their fluids is less, and the motions more uniform, than the velocity and motion of the blood in an artery.

. The coats of the veins are much thinner than those of the arteries, comparing vessels whose sections are equal, because the blood moving slower in the veins than in the arteries, it presses with less moment against their sides: and besides, the blood in the veins has nearly an equal uniform motion, but in the arteries a very unequal one; and that

will require a farther difference in the strength of their coats; for those of the arteries must be equal to the greatest natural pressure; and if the arterial blood propels the venal, that is a farther reason for the different strength of their coats.

All these things being considered, it appears to be a difficult thing to determine nearly, what proportion the fluids of an animal body bear to the folids, or what proportion the fum of all the minutest arteries bear to the aorta, without which, I think, we can neither determine the comparative velocity of the blood moving in the different veffels, nor the quantity of blood in any animal body, nor the time in which the whole mass of blood, or a quantity equal to the whole mass, is flowing through the heart. But if each ventricle of the heart holds five ounces of blood, and they are filled and emptied every fystole and diastole, which, I think, is true, and if eighty pulses in a minute be allowed to be a common number, there then flows twentyfive pounds of blood through each ventricle of the heart in a minute. Dr. Keil has shewn that the fum of all the fluids in a man exceed the fum of all the folids, and yet the quantity of blood which all the visible arteries of a man will contain, is less than four pounds; and if we may suppose all the visible veins, including the vena portæ, hold four times as much, the whole then that the visible veffels can contain is not twenty pounds; but the whole that they do contain is but very little more than the veins can contain, feeing the arteries are always found almost empty in dead bodies; but how much the invisible arteries and veins contain, I mean those which contain such a compound sluid as is found in the larger vessels, I know no way to judge, unless we knew what proportion these vessels bear to those that carry the nutritious juices and ferum (if there are fuch) without the globuli of the blood. Cæteris paribus, is not the velocity of the blood in all animals proportionable to their quantity of action; and their necessity of food also in proportion to their quantity of action? If fo, it appears how those animals which use no exercise, and whose blood moves extremely flow in the winter, can fubfift without any fresh supply of food; while others that use a little more exercise, require a little more food; and those who use equal exercise winter and fummer, require equal quantities of food at all times; the end of eating and drinking being to repair what exercise and the motion of the blood has destroyed or made useless; and is not the less velocity of the blood in some animals than in others, the reason why wounds and bruises in those animals do not so soon destroy life, as they do in animals whose blood moves swifter?

I had a patient, whose muscles on the inside of the thigh were torn to pieces with the cramp, from whence was a vast effusion of blood among the muscles. The tumor being opened, it was judged necessary to take off the limb. The patient, tient, having a great discharge from the wound, was easy for about ten days; but the cramp then returned into the stump with such excessive torment that he died soon after. I have never heard but of one other case of this kind, which ended in the same manner.

When any of the vessels are lacerated by bruises, strains, or otherwise, without any external wound, purging (which is of more use than one can well account for) and cooling applications are always proper to prevent as much as may be extravasations of blood or ferum; but the lacerations once healed, which may be in eight or ten days, and the pain quite gone, then warm medicines may be applied, with opium, or sp. cornu cervi (which powerfully separate coagulated shuids) to help to attenuate and thereby dissipate the extravasated juices.

When the blood-veffels become unable to preferve the circulation in the extreme parts, whether from particular weakness in the veffels, or any other decay, I have always observed it to be hurtful to scarify. It lets out the juices that should affist nature to make a separation of the mortisted part; nor can it be known in what place we may safely amputate till such a separation which teaches us where it can be supported, and in any place short of that, an operation will be both useless and mischievous. I have known many succeed well who have been thus lest to separate, but very sew that were otherwise treated; nay, have known some extraordinary

extraordinary instances of success where the patient had the happiness to have no one about them to interrupt the kind affistance of nature.

CHAP. X.

OF THE LYMPHÆDUCTS.

· LYMPHÆDUCTS are finall pellucid cylindrical tubes, which arise invisible from the extremities of the arteries throughout the whole body, but more plentifully in glands than other parts, and in greatest number from such glands as separate the most viscid fluids, as may be observed in the liver and testes.. They cannot be discerned in a natural flate to have more than one coat, and that exceeding thin, having valves at fmall and uncertain diftances, to prevent the regress of their fluid. They have frequent communications like the veins, but do not unite fo often; the larger trunks are in many places attended with finall glands, through which they run, and at the fame time fend communicant branches over them, that they might be fecured against obstructions from diseases in those glands. · They all terminate in the vafa lactea, or in the large veins. · All that rife in the abdomen empty into the venæ lacteæ fecundi generis and receptaculum chyli; those in the cavity of the thorax into the ductus thoracicus and the fubclavian veins. Their uses are

to carry lymph to dilute the chyle, to make it incorporate more readily with the blood (but not to make it flow the better in the lacteals, as appears fufficiently from their not entering into the minutest lacteals) and to carry off fo much lymph as is necessary to leave the blood in fit temper to flow through the veins; for it is always observed that in fuch persons as have their blood too thin, the globuli cohere and form moleculæ, or polypuses, which I imagine may arise from the globuli of the blood not rubbing often enough, and with fufficient force one against another to disunite them as fast as they cohere. These polypuses are frequently found in all the large veins, and in the right auricle and ventricle of the heart, especially in such bodies as die hydropic or of any chronic diseases.

Authors have described and painted these vessels as they appear when injected with mercury; in which case the coat of these vessels being exceeding thin, it is not able any where between the valves to resist the mercury's attracting itself into globules: and the same appearance also happens when they are vastly distended; because the valves hindering a distention where they are seated, the spaces between them approach to a spherical sigure from the equal pressure of the sluid, according to the degree of their distention: but in a natural state, when they are filled with lymph, or when they are moderately injected with air or water, they appear as eylindrical as the veins. Any of these vessels being burst,

burst, they cause a dropfy in the cavity into which they open, which is oftener in the abdomen than the thorax. This kind of dropfy is fometimes cured by tapping, and I believe the reason why it no oftener fucceeds is, that it generally takes its rife from a difeased liver. Formerly in this operation only part of the water was drawn off at a time, and the tap fometimes left in the wound to draw off more, which was exceeding painful, and fometimes brought on a mortification; and if they drew off much water at one time the patient was in great pain, and generally fainted, which was thought to proceed from the loss of too much of the liquor at once. But Dr. MEAD, observing that these symptoms could not proceed from the loss of an extravasated fluid, foon found the true cause, which was the sudden want of the pressure of the abdominal muscles against the parts contained in the abdomen; and in the year 1705, being then physician to St. Thomas's hospital, ordered it to be tried there in the following manner: He directed the abdomen to be pressed by the hands of affistants while the water was running out, and afterwards kept rolled till the muscles recovered force to do their office, and fo took out all the water at once, without any inconvenience, which has made this operation not very painful, fometimes fuccefsful, and never dangerous. I preserved one woman, by sixteen operations, from the fifty-lixth year of her age to eighty; another fix years by fixty-fix tappings: it must

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must be confessed, that few cases succeed like these, and very few recover.

I opened a woman, who died of a dropfy in the liver, in which I found the gibbous part entirely wasted, and the coat of the liver about a quarter of an inch thick, which contained about five gallons of a gross yellowish sluid, in which were many hydatids about the fize of goofeberries. and some pieces of matter of as bright a red as vermilion. At about fourteen years of age she first began to feel pain in this part, which returned monthly, but in time grew continual, her belly constantly increasing till she died, which was in the twenty-eighth year of her age, without ever having had her menfes. All the other vifcera both in the thorax and abdomen were perfectly found, nor was there the least fign of the dropfy in any of the limbs, or yellowness in the skin, which is frequent in diseases of the liver.

CHAP. XI.

OF THE LYMPHATIC GLANDS.

THE glands accompanying the lymphatics are fituated in the three cavities, in the interfices of the muscles, where the lymphatics lie with the large blood vessels, and in the four emunctories, viz. the arm-pits and groins. In the brain

is feated the glandula pinealis, which I judge to be of this fort, having often feen large lymphæducts running into it from the plexus choroides; and at the basis of the brain in the cella turcica is the glandula pituitaria, into which enters a large lymphatic, as I imagine, named infundibulum (vid. chap. Of the brain.) In the neck are fituated a great many of these, by the sides of the carotid arteries and internal jugular veins, and two, or a fort of double one, upon the larynx, immediately below the thyroid cartilage, from which fituation they derive the name of thyroideæ; and just within the thorax is feated another, called thymus. In very young children the thymus is as large, or larger, than the thyroic glands; but in men these glands are very large, and the thymus very fmall, the former having increafed in about a double proportion of any other gland of this kind, and the latter having rather diminished than increased; but in brutes, such as have fallen under my observation, it is just the contrary. From which observations I am inclined to conclude, that they both belong to the very fame lymphatics, and that either of them increasing as much as both ought to do if both increased, anfwers the fame end as if both did; and that the reason why the thymus increases rather than the thyroid glands in brutes, is because the shape of their thorax affords convenient room for it to lodge in; and that in men the thyroid glands increase fo much, because there is no room in that part of

the thorax where the thymus is feated for a large gland to be lodged. In dogs, a porpoife, and some other animals, I have feen the lymphatics in the thymus, and between the thymus and ductus thoracicus, full of chyle, and so in many other lymphatics near the vafa lactea. Under the basis of the heart, and at the fides of the lungs, where the great vessels enter, are many of these glands, from the size of a pea to that of a hazel-nut. In the abdomen, upon the loins, near the kidneys, and by the fides of the iliac veffels, are many of these glands, which are called lumbales; and there are some at the hollow fide of the liver named hepaticæ: the mesentery also is full of glands of a like appearance; but these feem to belong only to the lacteal veins, unless fome of them, which are feated at the basis of the mefentery, among the venæ lacteæ fecundi generis, belong to the lymphatics that come from the liver, where the hepatic lymphatics pass in their way to the receptaculum chyli. The glands which accompany the blood veffels in the limbs are few, and distributed in no certain order; except those in the four emunctories, i. c. in the arm-pits and groins, named axillares and inguinales.

Brutes have one large one in the thigh, commonly called the pope's-eye; this is feated about the great veffels in the thigh, where they pass through the triceps muscle. From this fituation, and not from any thing extraordinary in this gland, it is that wounds are there so dangerous.

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The lymphatic glands are faid by Nuck, and others after him, to be composed of vesicles, and not of veffels like other glands; and that these veficles are repositories of lymph: but from their appearance in a natural state, which is very compact and uniform, there feems to me to be but little reason for such a conjecture. Some have thought their use to be by contracting to accelerate the motion of the fluid in the lymphatics; but that does not feem very probable, because a muscular coat would have been the readiest means to produce that effect; besides, those vessels seldom enter any of them without detaching a branch over at the fame time, perhaps to prevent obstructions. And if these glands were endued with a contracting power, which is only prefumed without any proof, it would ftill be difficult to conceive how fuch a power, applied at uncertain spaces, should not rather obstruct than accelerate the motion of lymph in the lymphatics, unless there were valves to prevent a reflux; and even then, if this were a convenient piece of mechanism, it would be strange it should no where else in the body be made use of.

These lymphatic glands being diseased, are apt to obstruct and occasion the bursting of the lymphatics that pass through them; which, if in the breaft, causes an incurable hydrops pectoris; if in the abdomen, the true ascites, attended with a wasting of the limbs, which is never cured, but may be relieved by tapping.

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CHAP. XII.

- OF THE COURSE OF THE ALIMENT AND FLU-IDS, ABSTRACTED FROM THE FOREGOING CHAPTERS.
- . I HE aliment being received into the mouth, is there masticated, and impregnated with saliva, which is preffed out of the falivary glands by the motions of the jaw and the muscles that move it and the tongue. Then it descends through the pharynx into the stomach, where it is digested by the juices of the stomach (which are what is thrown out of the glands of its inmost coat, and faliva out of the mouth) and a moderate warmth and attrition. Then it is thrown through the pylorus or right orifice of the stomach into the duodenum, where it is mixed with bile from the gallbladder and liver, and the pancreatic juice from the pancreatic gland. These fluids serve farther to attenuate and dilute the digested aliment, and probably to make the fluid part separate better from the faces. After this it is continually moved by the peristaltic motion of the guts, and the compression of the diaphragm and abdominal muscles, by which forces the fluid parts are pressed into the lacteals, and the gross parts through the guts to the anus..
 - The chyle, or thin and milky part of the aliment, being received into the lacteals from all the

finall guts, they carry it into the receptaculum chyli, and from thence the ductus thoracicus carries it into the left fubclavian vein, where it mixes with the blood, and paffes with it to the heart..

. All the veins being emptied into two branches, viz. the afcending and defcending cava, they empty into the right auricle of the heart; the right auricle unloads into the right ventricle, which throws the blood through the pulmonary artery into the lungs; from the lungs the blood is brought by the pulmonary veins into the left auricle, and from that into the left ventricle, by which it is thrown into the aorta, and distributed through the body. From the extremities of the arteries arise the veins and lymphatics; the veins to collect the blood and bring it back to the heart; and the lymphatics to return the lymph, or thinner part of the blood, from the arteries to the veins and the vafa lactea, where it mixes with the chyle, and then passes with it into the left fubclavian vein and to the heart ..

. All the fluids that pass into the stomach and guts being carried into the blood vessels, the greatest part of them are separated and carried off by proper vessels, viz. urine from the kidneys, bile from the liver, &c. and these juices carry along with them whatever might be injurious to the animal economy..

CHAP. XIII.

OF THE DURA MATER AND PIA MATER.

· DURA mater is a very compact, strong membrane, lining the infide of the fcull, firmly adhering at its basis, and but lightly at the upper part, except at the futures. It has three processes; the first, named falx, begins at the crista galli, and runs backwards under the futura fagittalis to the cerebellum, dividing the cerebrum into two hemispheres. Its use is said to be to support one fide of the cerebrum from preffing on the other when the head is inclined to one fide. But I think it is evident that this is not the use, because there would be more need of fuch a process from one fide of the fcull to the other, than this way; and it would also be very necessary that it should run through the brain, to answer that end. The principal use appears to me to be, to divide the brain into fuch portions as are least liable to be moved in the scull, by any violent motions of the head, which is better done this way than it would the other; and the under fide of the brain is kept fleady by the inequalities of the basis of the scull, which the brain is exactly fitted to. In brutes the falx is always very fmall, therefore in those whose brains are of the larger fize, as oxen, sheep, horses, &c. the upper part of the scull is made uneven, exactly to fit the folds of the brain, which fecures the the upper parts of their brains from concussions, in the same manner that the lower parts are secured. The second process runs from the lower and back part of the former to the upper edge of each os petrosum, and sustains the posterior lobes of the cerebrum, that they might not compress the cerebellum. In such rapacious animals as I have dissected, this process is bone. The third is very small; it runs from the last described process down towards the great foramen of the scull, and possess the small space in the cerebellum, between the processus vermisormis. These processes of the dura mater also serve to keep the brain steady.

· The dura mater has in it feveral finuses, which are large veins to receive the blood from the leffer veins of the brain: their number is uncertain, and those that are constant are not described in the fame order by writers.. The first that presents itself is the longitudinalis fuperior, running from a blind hole a little above the crifta galli all along the upper edge of the falx. A transverse section of this vessel is not circular, like other vessels, but a triangle, whose sides are arches of a circle; the upper fide convex outwards, and the two lower convex inwards. The figure of this veffel is preferved by small ligaments running across in the infide, that it might not become conical, or cylindrical, like other veffels, from the equal pressure of the contained blood, and thereby incommode the upper edges of each hemisphere of the cerebrum.

On the lower edge of this process is generally another very fmall one, called longitudinalis inferior; this runs into the rectus, and when wanting is fupplied by a vein; the rectus runs between the two first processes of the dura mater, and unloads with the finus longitudinalis superior into the two lateral finuses; but for the most part the longitudinal nus goes more directly into one of the lateral firuses, and the straight sinus into the other. There is sometimes a small one in the third process, which empties in the same place with the former. From the endings of the longitudinal and straight finuses, begin the two lateral finuses, which, when they come to the os petrofum, dip down and pass through the eighth foramina into the internal jugular veins. There is another named circularis; it runs round the fore part only of the cella turcica; the two ends of this empty into four finuses, one on the top of each os petrofum, which pass into the sinus lateralis, and one at the under fides of the same bones, which pass indifferently into both the lateral and cervical finuses; these two last finuses have always communicant branches. The cervical finufes run from the basis of the scull through the great foramen on both fides of the medulla spinalis colli, and through the transverse processes of the cervical vertebræ: the last of these have many times proper foramina running from the eighth foramina to the back part of the apophyses of the occipital hone. There are also two more of these vessels. vessels, which run from the circular sinus between the os sphenoides and fore part of the os petrofum directly into the internal jugular veins.

. Pia mater is an exceeding fine membrane immediately investing the brain, even between its lobes, hemispheres, and folds.. It serves to contain the brain, and support its blood vessels, which run here in great numbers, for the arteries to divide into fmall branches upon, that the blood may not enter the brain too impetuously: and for the veins to unite on, that they may enter the finuses in fewer and larger branches. Between the dura and pia mater, is described, by several anatomists, a membrane called arachnoides, which may eafily be shewn at the back part of the cerebrum, upon the cerebellum and back part of the medulla foinalis.

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CHAP. XIV.

OF THE CEREBRUM, CEREBELLUM, MEDULLA OBLONGATA, AND MEDULLA SPINALIS.

· CEREBRUM is that part of the brain which possesses all the upper and fore part of the cranium, being separated from the cerebellum by the fecond process of the dura mater. Its upper fide is divided into two hemispheres, and its lower fide into four lobes, two anterior and two posterior, which latter are much the largest.. At the meeting of the four lobes appears the infundibulum, which feems to be a lymphatic, running from the ventricles of the brain into the glandula pituitaria: this gland is seated in the cella turcica. Immediately behind the infundibulum appear two fmall bodies, named protuberantiæ duæ albæ pone infundibulum. Between the two hemispheres of the cerebrum, lower than the circumvolutions, appears a white body named corpus callofum. Under the corpus callofum appear the two lateral or fuperior ventricles, which are divided into right and left by a very thin membrane, named feptum lucidum, which is extended between the corpus callofum and fornix. The fornix is a medullary body beginning from the fore part of thefe ventricles, with two finall roots which foon unite; and running towards the back part, where they divide into parts, called crura fornicis. In the balis

basis of these two ventricles are four prominences: The two anterior are called (from their inner texture) corpora striata; the other two are named thalami nervorum opticorum. Beyond these are two more processes, called nates; and under them, nearer the cerebellum, two called testes. Above the nates is fituated the glandula pinealis, famous for being supposed, by DES CARTES, the seat of the foul. And upon the thalami nervorum opticorum are a number of blood vessels, glands, and lymphæducts, called plexus choroides. Under the beginning of the fornix is a finall hole, called foramen ad radices fornices, or iter ad infundibulum; and under the middle of the fornix, one called foramen posterius, which is covered with a valve named membrana, or valvula major; and the space under the two anterior ventricles between the foramina and the cerebellum is the third ventricle.

• Cerebellum is fituated under the fecond process of the dura mater. By dividing this part of the brain lengthways we discover more plainly the fourth ventricle, whose extremity is called calamus scriptorius; here also appear two medullary bodies called pedunculi, which are the basis of the cerebellum. The medullary part in the cerebellum, though it is inmost, as in the cerebrum, yet is of a different shape, being branched out like a plant.

The substance of the brain is distinguished into outer and inner: the former is called corticalis, cinerea, or glandulosa; the latter medullaris, alba, or nervea.

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- . Medulla oblongata is a medullary continuation of the under part of the cerebrum and cerebellum.. It first appears in two bodies from the anterior part of the posterior lobes of the cerebrum, called crura medullæ oblongatæ. The union of these crura between the cerebrum and cerebellum is called ifthmus; and immediately beyond this is an eminence named processus annularis.
- · Medulla spinalis is a production of the medulla oblongata through the great foramen of the fcull, and through the channel of the spine: it enlarges about the last vertebræ of the back and first of the neck, where the large nerves are given off to the arms: it again enlarges in the loins, where the crural nerves begin; and the lower end of it, with those and other nerves, is called from its refemblance cauda equina. The coats of this part are the fame with those of the brain; but the membrane here, which is analogous to the dura mater, is thinner and more connected to the bones, and the tunica arachnoides more conspicuous.
- · Wounds in the cerebrum, though very dangerous, are not mortal; but in the cerebellum and medulla oblongata cause sudden death; and in the medulla spinalis, loss of fense in all the parts which receive nerves from below the wound. In persons that have died lethargic, I have always found the brain full of water; and in children, the brain is always very foft and moift. In a man, that died of an apoplexy, I found all the veffels of the brain

immoderately diftended with blood, and the ventricles and the fubflance of the brain full of lymph, the pia mater very much thickened, and adhering fo very loofely that the greatest part of it was separated without breaking.

I have twice feen in the cerebrum a fcirrhous tumor as large as a pullet's egg; and in another body, imposthumations which possessed near two thirds of the whole cerebrum. And in a person that died with a gutta serena, I found all the ventricles of the brain full of lymph; and the thalami nervorum opticorum and the optic nerves, ere they went out of the scull, made slat with the pressure. And in an old man I found the right optic nerve wasted and black.

C H A P. XV.

OF THE NERVES.

"FROM the medullary part of the cerebrum, cerebellum, and medulla fpinalis, a vast number of small medullary white sibres are sent out, which, at their first egress, seem easily to feparate, but as they pass forward are somewhat more, but still loosely connected, by the coat which they obtain from the pia mater, and at last piercing the dura mater, are straitly braced by that membrane which covers them in their progress; whence they become white, firm, "strong

"frong cords, and fo, are well known by the "name of nerves. To these coats an infinite num-"ber of vessels, both arteries and veins, are dis-"tributed; fo that after a nice lucky injection the "whole cord is tinged with the colour of the in-"jected liquor: but when the fibrils are examined, "even with the best microscope, they appear only "like fo many fmall distinct threads running pa-"rallel, without any cavity observable in them, "though fome incautious observers, mistaking the "cut orifices of the arterious and venous vessels, "just now mentioned, for nervous tubes, have af-"firmed their cavities to be visible. The nerves, "which if all joined hardly make a cord of an inch "diameter, would feem, from their exerting them-"felves every where, to be distributed to each, even "the smallest part of the body. In their course "to the places for which they are destined, they "generally run as straight as the part over which "they are to pass, and their own safety from exter-" nal injuries, will allow, fending off their branch-"es at very acute angles, and confequently run-"ning more parallel than the blood veffels. Their "distribution is seldom different in the opposite "fides of the fame fubject, nor indeed in any "two subjects is there considerable variety found. "Frequently nerves which come out distinct or "feparate, afterwards conjoin into one fasciculus, "under the same common covering; and though "the nervous fibrils probably do not communicate " (the " (the reason of which opinion shall immediately "be given) yet because the coats at the conjoined "part are common, and these strong coats may "have great effects on the foft pulpy nerves, it is "evident all fuch will have a confiderable fympa-"thy with one another, whereof feveral exam-"ples in practice shall be instanced when the par-"ticular nerves are described. In some parts "where there are fuch conjunctions, the bulk of "the nerves feems much increased, and these "knotty oval bodies, called by FALLOPIUS cor-"pora olivaria, and generally now named gang-"lions, are formed. The coats of these knots "are stronger, thicker, and more muscular than "the whole nerves which enter into them would "feem to constitute, while the nervous fibrils "pass through without any great alteration or "change. I do not think any author has yet "made a probable conjecture of the use or design " of these ganglions, whether they imagine them "corcula expellentia, refervoirs, or elaboratories, "neither can I give an account of their use the " least satisfactory to myself.

"From undeniable evident experiments, all an"atomists are now convinced that to the nerves
"we owe all our sensation and motion, of which
"they are the proper organs; and the sensations
"in the minutest parts being very distinct, there"fore the instruments of such sensations must have
"distinct origins and course to each part. Though

"all are agreed as to the effect, yet a hot dispute "has arisen about the manner how it is produced, "viz. whether fensation and motion are occasioned "by a vibration communicated to the nerves, which "these gentlemen suppose entirely folid and tense, "or by a liquid contained and moved in them. "The last of these opinions I rather incline to, for "these reasons, because the nerves proceeding from "the brain bear a great analogy to the excretory "ducts of other glands. Then they are far from "being stretched and tense in order to vibrate. "And what brings the existence of a liquid in their "cavities next to a demonstration is the experiment "first made by Bellini, and related by Bohn "and PITCAIRN, which I have often done with "exact good fuccefs; it is this: After opening the "thorax of a living dog, catch hold of and compress "the phrenic nerve, immediately the diaphragm "ceases to act; remove the compressing force, that "muscle again contracts; gripe the nerve with one "hand fome way above the diaphragm, that fep-"tum is unactive; then with the other hand ftrip "down the nerve from the first hand to the dia-"phragm, this muscle again contracts; after once "or twice having stripped the nerve thus down " or exhausted the liquid contained in it, the mus-"cle no more acts, squeeze as you will, till the "first hand is taken away or removed higher, and "the nerve stripped, i. e. the liquids in the supe-"rior part of the nerve have free access to the dia-"phragm,

"phragm, or are forced down to it, when it again will move. Now if this liquid should be granted us, I am afraid we shall be still as much at a loss to account for sensation and motion as ever; and therefore all I shall assume is what is founded on experiments, that these two actions do depend on the nerves; that sensations are pleasant as long as the nerves are only gently affected without any violence offered them; but as soon as any force applied goes beyond this, and threatens a solution of union, it creates that uneasy sensation, pain: the nerves, their source or their coats being vitiated, either convulsion or palfy of the muscles may ensue.

"The nerves are distinguished into two classes, " of the encephalon and medulla spinalis; of the "first there are generally ten pair reckoned, of "the last thirty.. I shall describe the nerves in "the fame order in which they are generally "ranked, though it is not possible to prosecute the "diffection of them after the fame manner; but "to fupply this, I shall mention also the order "wherein they may be all demonstrated on one "fubject. When I affign the origin of any nerve "from any particular part, I defire it may be un-"derstood of that part of the surface of the me-"dulla, where the nerve first appears; for by this "method we shall shun any dispute with those au-"thors who trace their rife too minutely, and per-"haps be less liable to mistake or to deceive our " readers.

"readers. Nor shall I be over anxious about the terminations of the minimæ fibrillæ, since it is not possible to trace them ad ultimos sines, nor do I think it very necessary for explaining any phænomena, while very often in a multiplicity of words the whole description comes to be obscure or unintelligible.

"Of the ten pair proceeding from the encepha-"lon, the first is the olfactory, which in brutes, "justly enough, has the name of processus ma-" millares bestowed on them, being large and hol-"low, and are indeed evidently the two anterior "ventricles of the brain produced; which structure " and the lymph constantly found in them, induced "the ancients to believe that they ferved as emunc-"tories to convey the fuperabundant mucus from "the cold moist brain to the nose; but in man "they are finall, long, and without any cavity, "rifing from that part of the brain where the ca-"rotid arteries are about to enter, and running un-" der the anterior lobes of the brain become a little "larger, till they reach the os cribriforme, into "the foramina of which the small filaments in-" finuate themselves, as upon gently pulling those "nerves, or after having cut them very near the "bone, is evident, and are immediately spread on "the membrana narium. Their tender structure "and fudden expansion on such a large surface, "make it impossible to trace them on the mem-"brane of the nostrils, which has given some handle 66 to

"to feveral authors to deny them the structure or use of nerves.

"The fecond are the optic, which arise fingle "from the thalami nervorum opticorum, and then "uniting at the fore part of the cella turcica, they "feem to be pretty much blended; afterwards they "divide, and running obliquely forwards, pass out "at their proper hole of the sphenoide bone, and "enter the globe of the eye to be expanded into "the membrana retina. From this conjuction of "thefe nerves, authors generally endeavour to ac-"count for our feeing objects fingle, whereas we "have reason to believe fishes, the chamæleon, &c. "whose optic nerves simply cross one another with-"out any fuch union, do fee objects also fingle, "fince they fo exactly rush on their prey; where-"as if those authors' affertions were true, they "would oftener catch at the shadow than the sub-"flance. The blood veffels running through the "middle of these nerves, and the ramifications of "the retina are very observable, whence we may "deduce the reason of PICARD's experiment of " fuch objects as fall on the entry of the optic nerve "being loft to us; and hence also an account may "be given of an amaurofis or gutta ferena.

"The third pair of nerves first appear at the "anterior part of the processus annularis, and go"ing out at the foramen lacerum, are distributed to
"the globe of the eye; musculus rectus Fallopii,
"attolens, adducens, deprimens, and obliquus mi-

"nor; therefore this pair has justly got the name of motores oculi.

"The fourth pair, which are the smallest of any, derive their origins from the anterior lateral part of the processus annularis, and go out at the foramina lacera to be entirely spent on the musticuli trochleares, or obliqui majores oculorum, to which muscles chiefly the rotatory motion of the eyes in ogling, and the advance of the eyes forward in staring and sury, is owing; for which reason anatomists have called these nerves pathetici.

"The fifth pair arise from the sides of the an-"nular process, and after piercing the dura mater "divide into three branches; the first of which is "the ophthalmic, which as it is about to enter "the orbit by the foramen lacerum, fends off a "fmall twig that affifts in the formation of the "intercostal, and then the nerve is distributed to "the glandula lacrymalis, fat membranes, and pal-"pebræ of the eye, while it fends one confiderable "branch through the orbiter internus anterior hole "to be loft in the membrana narium, and a fecond "passes the foramen and supercilia to supply the "muscles and teguments of the forehead. Hence "we eafily discover what part is affected in that "painful difease the megrim, when the eye-ball "and forhead are racked, and fuch a heat is felt "within the nofe. Hence also we may learn how "the muscles of respiration come to be so much " affected

" affected on the application of any acrid irritating "fubstance to the membrana narium, as to pro-"duce that violent convultive motion, fneezing. "The fecond branch of the fifth pair, which may "be called maxillaris fuperior, passes out through "the foramen rotundum offis sphenoidis, and im-"mediately gives nerves to the fat under the cro-"taphite muscle, and to the palate, sinus sphenoi-"dalis, and nostrils. The remaining trunk infinu-"ating itself into the channel on the top of the "antrum Highmorianum, to which cavity and to "the teeth of the upper jaw it gives small twigs, "at last comes out at the orbiter externus hole, "and is spent on the musculus orbicularis palpebra-"rum, nofe, and upper lip, where fome branches " of the feventh pair feem to unite themselves to "the twigs of this. The third branch, or max-"illaris inferior, goes out at the foramen ovale, or "fourth hole of the wedge-like bone, and foon "fplitting into a great many branches, is distrib-"uted to the musculus crotaphites, masseter, pte-"rygoides, digastricus, buccinator, mylohyoideus, "geniohyoideus, genio-gloffus, and bafio-gloffus, "glandula fublingualis, maxillaris inferior, and " parotis, to the external ear, where it feems to join "the portio dura to the substance of the tongue, "in which it is pretty much confounded with the " ninth pair: from the root of this last branch the "chorda tympani is reflected. The last ramifi-"cation of this branch which I shall mention, is " that

"that which enters into the canal of the lower jaw "furnishes the teeth there, and comes out at the "chin, on which and the lower lip it is bestowed; "at this place it is again conjoined to the feventh "pair." From this short sketch of the large sisth " pair of nerves, and by observing several phanom-"ena which happen to those parts to which they " are distributed, we might have a much farther "confirmation of the general doctrine of nerves "delivered, and fee, at leaft, the way pathed to a "rational account of these phænomena, for reason-"ing on which we should not otherwise have the "least ground. We can, for example, from the "chorda tympani and the nerves of the teeth, be-"ing derived from the fame common trunk, un-"derstand how the found of any vibrating body "held between our teeth is fenfible to us, when "another cannot possibly hear the least of it. By "the like rule we know why in a violent tooth-" ache the muscles of the face are sometimes con-"vulfed; nor shall we be surprised to hear one "plagued with the ache in his upper teeth, com-"plain of a gnawing pain deep feated in the bones " of his face, or to fee his eye-lids much fwelled, " or the tears trickling down in great abundance; "whereas the lower teeth aching, the ear is pain-"ed, and the faliva flows in great quantities. We " may have fome distant views of some foundation " in reason for the cure of the tooth-ache, by strong "compression of the chin, or by applying blisters " behind

"behind the ears, or by burning behind or on the ear. Among a great many inflances of the good effect of the actual cautery in fuch a case, I shall give one which seems to be remarkable: I. M. was seized with the tooth-ache, a convulsion of that whole side of his face followed whenever the pain became acute, or he attempted to speak; after he had undergone bleeding, purging, salivation, setons, &c. without any benefit, he was cured by applying a small cauterising iron to the antihelix.

"The fixth pair of nerves arifing from the fore part of the corpora pyramidalia, after piercing through the dura mater, give off a branch, which, joined with the reflected twig of the oph-thalmic branch of the fifth pair, forms the original of the intercoftal, passes through the foramen lacerum to be spent entirely on the musual culus abductor oculi: supposing this nerve to fupply ever so little less than a due proportion of liquidum nervosum, an involuntary strabismus will be occasioned.

"Though the fifth and fixth pair of nerves form entirely the beginning of the intercostal before it goes out of the scull, yet because several other nerves contribute towards the formation of its trunk before it sends off any branches, I shall fupersede the description of it till the original nerves are spoke to.

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"The feventh pair appears coming out from "the fide of the root of the annular process, and "entering the meatus auditorius internus, and "immediately dividing, one part foon lofes its "firm coats, and is expanded on the inmost ca-"mera of the ear, while the other paffing through "the aquæductus Fallopii comes out of the fcull "involved in all its coats between the styloide and "mastoide processes; whence we see the reason of "the first being named portio mollis, and the "other dura: this last after its exit supplies the "musculi obliqui capitis stylohyoidei, styloglossi, "and stylopharyngæi, and platysma myoides, on "which, and to the skin of the neck, a great num-"ber of its fmall filaments run, which are fome-"times cut in opening the jugular vein, whence "pain at first, and a little numbness afterward. "The superior branches of it supply the parotid "gland, external ear, and whole fide of the face "as far forwards as the chin It is faid to com-"municate thrice with the fifth pair, and twice " with the fecond vertebra. Whether may not we "hence fee fome reason why the head is so soon "moved by the impression of sound on our ear? "The eighth pair of nerves derive their origin "from the fide of the basis of the corpora olivaria, "where their loofe filamentous texture is very con-"fpicuous; then running to the hole common to "the offa temporum and occipitis, they are there "joined by the accefforius Willissi, which has its "beginning

" beginning from the two or three superior nerves "of the medulla spinalis, and mounts upwards "thither, to pass out with the eighth pair, at that "common foramen just now mentioned: very "foon after they, wrapped up in the fame coat, "have got out of the cranium, the accessorius sep-"arates from its companion, and after paffing "through the middle of the musculus mastoideus, "is loft in the musculus trapezius and rhomboides "fcapulæ; while the large trunk, which, from the "great number of branches it fends off, obtains "the name of vagus, runs straight down the neck, "near the carotid artery, in its course giving seve-"ral branches to the larynx: when entered the "thorax, it splits into two; the anterior serves the "pericardium, fends branches to join with those " of the intercostal that go to the heart, and then " on the right fide turns round the fubclavian, and "on the left round the ductus arteriofus, to mount "again upwards at the fide of the cefophagus to "be loft in the larynx. This recurrent branch it "is that we are earnestly cautioned to avoid in "bronchotomy, though by reason of its deep situ-"ation we are in no hazard of it. If both thefe "nerves were cut, it is probable the voice would "not be entirely loft as long as the fuperior branch-"es still supply the larynx. The posterior branch " of the eighth pair goes along with the cefophagus, "and fupplies the lungs, the gula, and stomach "very plentifully; and as all the nerves bestowed "on this viscus enter at the superior orifice of it,
the sensation here must be very acute; whence
Helmont imagined the mouth of the stomach
to be the seat of the soul. What remains of
this par vagum is adjoined to the intercostal immediate below the diaphragm.

"The ninth pair appear first at the inferior part of the corpora pyramidalia, and march out at their proper holes of the occipitis, and after fending off some nerves to the glandula thyroidea, and musculi sterno-hyoidei, and sterno-thyroidei, are lost in the substance of the tongue. Authors have disputed whether this ninth or the fifth is the gustatory nerve; the old opinion in favour of the ninth is to me most probable, because the fifth is no where else employed as an organ of sensation, because the ninth seems to penetrate the substance of the tongue more, while the fifth is spent on the muscles.

"The tenth pair comes out from the beginning of the medulla spinalis, betwixt the os occipitis and first vertebra colli, and is all, except what goes to the ganglion of the intercostal, spent on the musculi obliqui, and extensores capitis.

"The only nerves proceeding from the ence"phalon not described, are the resected branches
"of the fifth and sixth, which indeed are so small
"and pappy, and hid by the carotidartery as they go
"out with it in its crooked canal, as not to be easily
"traced; but whenever they have escaped from the

a os petrofum, they are joined by branches from "the eighth, ninth, tenth, and first and second "fpinal, and the largest ganglion of the body is "formed, from which the nerve named now in-"tercostal, goes out to descend down the neck "with the carotid, supplying in its course the mus-"culi flexores of the head and neck, and commu-"nicating with the cervical nerves. As the inter-"costal is about to enter the thorax, it again forms "a ganglion, from which the nerves to the trachea " arteria and the heart are supplied, which join with "the branches of the eighth, and pass between the "two large arteries and auricles to the fubstance "of that muscle. Now let any one consider the "egress of the intercostal, and close course of it "and the eighth with the carotid artery, and this "manner of entry of the cardiac nerves, furely "the alternate constriction and relaxation of the "heart will appear necessarily depending on the "disposition of these organs of motion, the nerves. "The intercostal after this runs down on the side " of the vertebræ thoracis, having additional nerves "constantly sent to it from between these verte-"bræ, till it pass through its own proper hole of "the diaphragm; whence it again forms another "ganglion close by the glandulæ renales, into "which the eighth pair enter. From fuch a knot "on each fide, the nerves of the guts, liver, spleen, "pancreas, and kidneys are derived; nay, the ex-"tremity of this nerve is fent down to the pelvis

"to supply the parts there. Hence the great sym"pathy of these parts may be easily deduced, and
"a reason may be given of the violent vomiting
"that commonly attends a nephritis, and of the
"belching, cholic, and stomach-aches, which often
"ensue on the obstructions of the menstrua.

"Before I proceed to the spinal nerves, I fhall set down the order in which these nerves already described, are to be dissected, in order to demonstrate them all in one subject, but to them must assume the three first cervical nerves, the reason of which will be evident afterwards.

"Portio dura feptimi, frontalis quinti, facia"lis quinti, mentalis quinti, fpinalis fecundus,
"fpinalis primus, olfactorius, ophthalmicus quin"ti, motorius oculi, patheticus fextus, opticus,
"maxillaris inferior quinti, maxillaris fuperior
"quinti, accefforius Willisii, nonus, decimus, oc"tavus intercostalis, portio mollis feptimi.

"The thirty pair of nerves proceeding from the medulla fpinalis are generally divided into four fpecies; of the neck feven, of the back twelve, of the loins five, and of the os facrum fix., Now as the medulla fpinalis has none of these inequalities so observable on the medulla oblongata encephali, the rise of the nerves is not for accurately described, being only determined by the bone through which they pass.

"The first cervical goes out between the first and second vertebra, and, after sending off branches"

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"that communicate with the tenth and fecond "vertebrale, is fpent on the musculus flexus colli, "splenius, complexus, and teguments of the occi"put.

"The fecond cervical communicates with the "ninth, and with the first and third of the neck, "and then is distributed to the teguments of the "neck and side of the head, and to the glandula "parotis and external ear, where it joins with the portio dura.

"The third of the neck passes out between the "third and fourth vertebra, foon communicating "with the fecond, and fending down a large "branch, which being joined by another from "the fourth forms the phrenic nerve that runs "along the pericardium to be loft in the dia-"phragm. In this course the right phrenic is o-"bliged to make a fmall turn round that part of the " pericardium which covers the apex of the heart. "Hence it is that fuch as have strong palpita-"tions of the heart feel a pungent acute pain im-"mediately above the right orifice of the stomach." "The other branches of this third cervical are "distributed to the musculus trapezius and del-"toides, and to the teguments on the top of the "fhoulder; which, with the description of the "eighth pair, leads us evidently to the reasons of "the divine HIPPOCRATES's observation, that an "inflammation of the liver is generally attend-"ed with a hiccough, and a suppuration of that " vifcus.

"viscus, with a violent pain on the top of the fhoulder. However, we are not hence to con"clude so generally, as I have observed physicians frequently do, that if the hypochondria are ef"fected, and this pain of the shoulder is felt, there"fore the liver is suppurated; for any other cause fimulating or stretching the nerves, such as in"flammation, wounds, scirrhous or steatomatous tumors, &c. may produce the same effect.

"The fourth cervical, after fending off that "branch which joins with the third to form the "phrenic, runs straight to the axilla, where it "meets with the fifth, fixth, and feventh cervicals, "and first dorsal that escape in the interstices of the "musculi scaleni; and all of them are so often "conjoined and blended, after they have given off "nerves to the muscles of the neck, scapula, arm, "and thorax, and to the teguments, that when the "feveral ramifications go off in the axilla to the "different parts of the superior extremity, it is im-"possible to determine which of them the branches " belong to. The confiderable branches into which "they are divided, are fix; these I shall presume to "give proper distinguishing names to, by which the "description will be less confused, and the young " anatomist's memory better assisted to retain what "is fo difficult to represent in words.

"I. Cutaneus runs down the fore part of the arm, and ferves the teguments, as far as the palm of the hand and fingers.

" 2. Musculo-

"2. Musculo-cutaneus, or perforans casserii, passes through the musculus coracobrachialis, and after supplying the biceps and brachiæus internus is spent on the teguments of the back of the cubitus and hand.

"3. Muscularis, that runs down the fore part of the arm to be lost in the musculi flexores carpi, digitorum, &c.

"4. Ulnaris, which fupplies the extensores "cubiti, and teguments of the elbow, and then "passing through the sinuosity at the back of the "external condyle of the humerus, runs along the "ulna, where it gives twigs to the teguments and "neighbouring muscles; at length is lost in the "back of the hand, musculi interossei, and lumbricales in the little singer, and side of the ring singer next to this. The course of this nerve is sufficiently felt when we lean on our elbow, by the insensibility and prickling pain in the parts to which it is distributed.

"5. Radialis goes down the fore part of the arm, near the radius, bestowing branches in its progress on the circumjacent muscles, and at the ligamentum annulare carpi splitting, is sent to the thumb, fore singer, middle singer, and half the ring singer, and to the back of the hand.

"6. Articularis runs almost round the top of the os humeri, and serves the musculi extensiones cubiti, retractores, and elevatores humeri.

"By a strong and continued pressure on these nerves, by crutches or any such hard substance, a palfy and atrophy of the arm may be occafioned.

"The twelve dorfal nerves all communicate with one another: as foon as they make their way out betwixt the vertebræ, each of them gives a posterior branch to the musculi erectores trunci corporis; the first, after having sent off the brachial nerve, already described, is, after the fame manner with the succeeding eight, bestowed on the pleura and intercostal muscles; the tenth and eleventh are most of them sent to the abdominal muscles; the twelfth communicates with the first lumbar, and is bestowed on the musculus quadratus lumbalis and iliacus internus.

"The fifth lumbar also communicates and gives posterior branches; the first sends several branches to the abdominal muscles, and psoas, and iliacus, while others go from it to the teguments and muscles on the superior and anterior part of the thigh, and the main trunk of it is lost in the crural. The second passes through the psoas muscle, and is distributed much as the former. The third is lost in the musculus pectineus. Branches proceeding from the first, second, and third, make up one trunk, which runs along the anterior part of the pelvis, and slipping through a fmall sinuosity in the anterior part of the foramen magnum offis ischii, is spent in the musculus triceps.

"triceps. This nerve is commonly known by the "name of obturator, or posterior crural nerve. "By the union of branches from the first, second, "third, and fourth lumbar nerves, the anterior "crural nerve is formed, which running along the "musculus psoas, escapes with the large blood "veffels out of the abdomen below the tendinous "arcade of its muscles, and is distributed to the "muscles and teguments on the fore part of the "thigh: One branch of this crural nerve accom-"panies the vena faphena as far as the ancle. Now "let us imagine the fituation of the kidney upon, "and the course of the ureter over these nerves, "and we shall not be surprised, that in a nephritis "the trunk of the body cannot be raifed erect "without great pain; that the thigh loses of its "fenfibility, and that it is drawn forwards. The "remainder of the fourth and the fifth lumbar "nerves join with the first, second, and third that "proceed from the os facrum: these five, when "united, constitute the largest nerve of the body, "fo well known by the name of the sciatic, or "ischiatic nerve, which seems to be bigger, in "proportion to the part for the use of which it is, "than the nerves of any other part are; the de-"fign of which may be to afford fufficient strength "to the muscles of the lower extremity, for ex-"erting a force fuperior to what is required in any "other part of the body. When this nerve is any "way obstructed, we see how unable we are to "fupport

"fupport ourselves, or to walk. The sciatic nerve "then goes out at the large hollow behind the "great tubercle of the os ischium, and passing "over the quadrigemini muscles, runs down the "posterior part of the thigh, giving off, every " where as it goes, nerves to the teguments and "muscles of the thigh and leg. At the ham it " fplits into two; the fmaller mounts over the fi-"bula, and ferving the musculi peronei, flexores "pedis, and extensores digitorum, is continued to "the toes along the broad of the foot, while the " larger trunk finks under the musculi gemelli, "and then divides; one is fpent in the muscles "at the back of the leg and teguments, while " the other is continued by the inner ancle to the " foot, and then fubdivides; one branch is distrib-"uted after the same manner as the ulnaris, and " the other as the radialis in the hand.

"The other nerves that come out of the os fa-"crum, are fent to the organs of generation, mus-"culi levatores ani, and obturatores.

"These nerves of the medulla spinalis may all be dissected and demonstrated in the same order in which they are described." For this accurate description of the nerves I am obliged to Mr. Monro.

The nerves feem, when examined with a microscope, to be bundles of straight fibres not communicating with one another: and I am inclined to think, that every the minutest nerve terminating in any part, is a distinct cord from its origin in the brain or spinal marrow; or else I do not see how they could produce distinct sensations in every part: and the distinct points of sensation throughout the body are so very numerous, that the whole body of nerves (which taken together would not make a cord of an inch diameter) must be divided into such a number, to afford one for every part that has a distinct sensation, that surely such a nerve would be too small to be seen by the best microscope. They all pass in as direct courses to the places they ferve, as is possible, never separating nor joining with one another but at very acute angles, unless where they unite in those knots which are called ganglions, the use of which I do not pretend to know; they make what appears to be a communication of most of the nerves on the same side, but never join nerves on opposite sides.

That the nerves are instruments of sensation, is clearly proved from experiments, but how they convey those sensations to the brain, is matter of dispute. The most general opinion is; that they are tubes to contain animal spirits, by whose motions these sensations are conveyed: and diligent inquiry has been made to discover their cavities, but hitherto in vain; and if each nerve is distinct from its origin, as I have endeavoured to shew, and too small to be the object of the best microscope, I do not see how such cavities are like to be discov-

ered. Nevertheless nerves may be tubes, and possibly a fluid, whose cohesion is very little, and whose parts, no finer than light, may move freely in them. Those who deny animal spirits in the nerves, fuppose that the fensation is conveyed by a vibration. To which it is objected, that they are flack, moift, and furrounded with foft parts, and are therefore unfit for vibrations, as indeed they are for such as are made on the strings of a musical instrument; but the minutest vibrations, such as they cannot be without, may, for aught we know, be as fufficient for this end, as the impulse of light upon the retina is for the fense of seeing. So that perhaps fenfations may be conveyed either, or both ways. However, it being usually taken for granted, that it must be one of these ways at least, the advocates for each have rather endeavoured to support their opinions by arguments against the probability of the other, than by reasons offered for their own.





T A B. XXI.

- I Larynx.
- 2 The internal jugular vein.
- 3 The subclavian vein.
- 4 Cava descendens.
- 5 The right auricle of the heart.
- 6 The right ventricle.
- 7 Part of the left ventricle.
- 8 Aorta ascendens.
- 9 Arteria pulmonalis.
- 10 The right lobe of the lungs, part of which is cut off to shew the great blood vessels.
- II The left lobe of the lungs.
- 12 The diaphragm.
- 13 The liver.
- 14 The ligamentum rotundum.
- 15 The gall-bladder.
- 16 The stomach, pressed by the liver towards the left side.
- 17 The small guts.
- 18 The spleen.

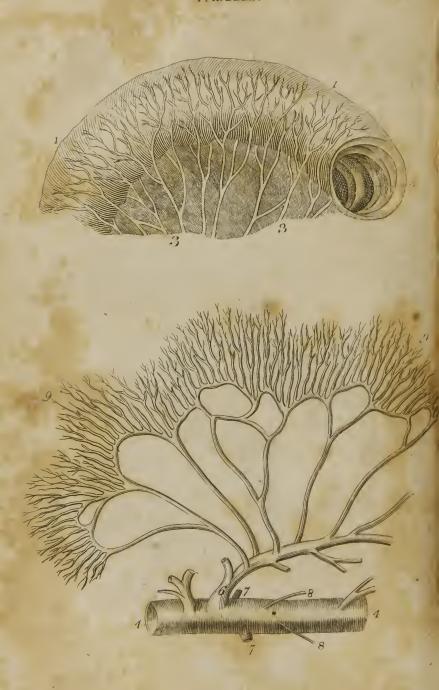
T A B. XXII.

- I The under fide of the liver.
- 2 Ligamentum rotundum.
- 3 The gall-bladder.
- 4 The pancreas.
- 5 The spleen.
- 6 The kidney.
- 7 Aorta ascendens.
- 8 Vena cava afcendens.
- o The emulgent vein.
- 10 A probe under the spermatic vessels and the arteria mesenterica inferior, and over the ureters.
- 11 The ureter.
- 12 The iliac veffels.
- 13 The rectum intestinum.
- 14 The bladder of urine.









T A B. XXIII.

- Part of the intestinum jejunum.
- 2 The valvulæ conniventes, as they appear in a dried preparation.
- 3 The venæ lacteæ arifing from the gut, and paffing through part of the mesentery.
- 4 Part of the descending aorta.
- 5 Arteria cœliaca.
- 6 Mesenterica superior.
- 7 Emulgentes.
- 8 Spermaticæ.
- 9 Some of the branches of the mesenterica inferior that are bestowed upon the guts.

T A B. XXIV.

- I Extreme branches of the vena porta, as they arise from the guts.
- 2 All the branches of the vena porta, united before it enters the liver.
- 3 The branches of the vena porta, as they are distributed in the liver.







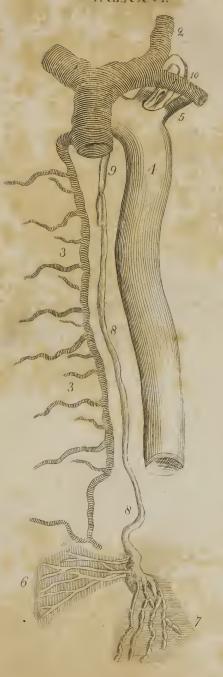


T A B. XXV.

- Branches of the vena cava in the liver.
- 2 Part of the vena cava ascendens.
- 3 Part of the right auricle.
- 4 Cistis hepatica.
- 5 Ductus sisticus.
- 6 Ductus hepaticus.
- 7 Ductus pancreaticus.
- 8 The entrance of the ductus communis into the duodenum.

T A B. XXVI.

- 1 The left fubclavian vein.
- 2 The internal jugular.
- 3 Part of the vena azygos.
- 4 Part of the descending aorta.
- 5 The fubclavian artery.
- 6 Some of the lacteals entering the receptaculum chyli.
- 7 Some lymphatics entering the receptaculum chyli.
- 8, 9 The Ductus thoracicus.
- The entrance of the thoracic duct into the fubclavian yein.









T A B. XXVII.

- The humeral artery.
- 2 Cubitalis superior.
- 3 Cubitalis inferior, which ends in the hand and the fingers, and communicates with the cubitalis superior, under the muscles of the thumb.
- 4 The place where the cubitalis media is given off.
- 5 The fuperior cubital nerve.
- 6 The inferior cubital nerve, which passes under the inner extuberance of the os humeri; both these nerves give off branches as they pass, and end in the thumb and singers,

T A B. XXVIII.

- 1 Part of the biceps flexor cubiti.
- 2 The fascia tendinosa from that muscle, which is liable to be pricked in bleeding in the bafilic vein.
- 3 The humeral artery, on each fide of which is a large vein.
- 4 Vena cephalica.
- 5 Mediana.
- 6 Basilica.
- 7 A tumor formed in the centre of the cubital nerve, a little above the bend of the arm; it was of the ciftic kind, but contained a transparent jelly; the filaments of the nerve were divided and ran over its furface. This tumor occasioned a great numbness in all the parts that nerve leads to, and excessive pain upon the least touch or motion. This operation was done but a few weeks since, the pain is entirely ceased, the numbness a little increased, and the limb, as yet, not wasted.









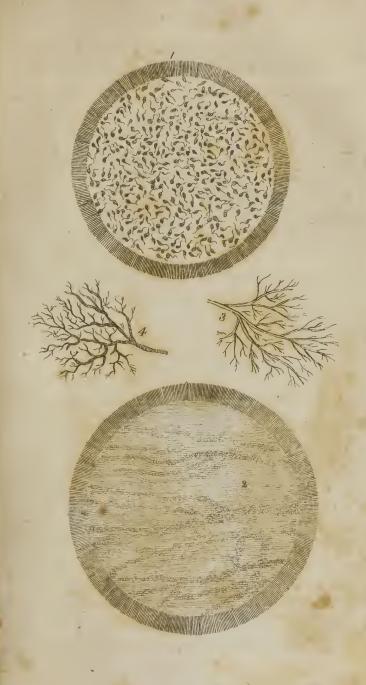


T A B. XXIX.

- 1 The medulla fpinalis, from whence arise the nerves that pass out between the vertebræ.
- 2 The brachial nerves.
- 3 The beginning of the cauda equina,
- 4 The anterior crural nerves.
- 5 The posterior crural nerves.
- 6 The descending intercostal.
- 7 Nerves of the neck.
- 8 The brachial nerves.
- 9 A ganglion in the descending intercostal nerve.
- 10 Branches from the intercostal nerve to the viscera.
- 11 A probe passed under some of the intercostal nerves that pass out between the ribs.
- 12 The anterior crural nerves.

T A B. XXX.

- The animalculæ in semine masculino, as they appeared in a microscope, in a space as small as a pin's head.
- 2 The circulation of the blood in a fish's tail, as it appeared in a microscope.
- 3 An artery, as it is spread in a membrane.
- 4 A vein, as it is spread in a membrane.







THE

ANATOMY

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HUMAN BODY.

BOOK IV.

CHAP. I.

OF THE URINARY AND GENITAL PARTS OF Men, TOGETHER WITH THE GLANDULÆ RENALES.

THE urinary parts are the kidneys with their vessels and bladder of urine.

The kidneys of men are like those of hogs; the two weigh about twelve ounces; they are seated towards the upper part of the loins upon the two last ribs; the right under the liver, and a little lower than the other, and the left under the spleen. Their use is to separate the urine from the blood, which is brought thither for that purpose

by the emulgent arteries; and what remains from the fecretion, is returned by the emulgent veins, while the urine fecreted is carried off through the ureters to the bladder. I have, in three different fubjects, taken stones out of the loins, which had made their ways from the kidneys through the mufcles to the common integuments, where, upon opening the skin only, the stones appeared with a quantity of matter and urine. We have heard of operators who have cut for the stone in the kidneys; but I will venture to affirm, that those cases were no other than these, though unfairly related.

- The ureters are tubes about the bigness of goosequills, and about a foot long; they arise from the hollow side of the kidneys, and end in the bladder near its neck, running obliquely for the space of an inch between its coats; which manner of entering is to them as valves. The beginning of the ureters in the kidneys are the tubuli urinarii, which joining form the pelvis in each kidney. Between the tubuli urinarii, authors have remarked small papillæ; and the parts which are distinguished by a clearer colour they call glandulæ.
- The bladder of urine is feated in a duplicature of the peritonæum in the lower part of the pelvis of the abdomen; its shape is orbicular, and its coats are the same with those of the guts and other hollow muscles already described; viz. an external membranous, a middle muscular, which is the musculus detrusor urinæ, and an inner membranous

coat, exceeding fensible, as is fully shewn in the eases of the stone and gravel. The use of this nice sense is to make it capable of that uneafiness which excites animals to exclude their water, when the bladder is extended. This fense is so delicate, that no fluid but natural urine can be long endured, even pale urine, or urine with matter in it, in a degree excite the symptoms of the stone, and force the person to void the urine. Sometimes much matter from the kidneys will excite vehement fymptoms; and this being found in the urine, and the pain being observed in the bladder only, the kidneys having little fense of pain, it is usually accounted for from ulcers in the bladder, which I have never found one instance of in all the numbers that I have opened in this case. Indeed the bladder is sometimes ulcerated, but that destroying part of the inner coat, the others stretch and ulcerate till the urine bursts through into the cellular membrane of the pcritonæum, and cause a most miserable death. This case is very rare in men, and much more fo in women. I have feen cancerous ulcers open the bladder into the uterus, but these, I think, have begun in the uterus. All these cases have symptoms like the stone; and not these only, but all diseases of the uterus which disturb the bladder, and even impostumations or tumors that press upon the bladder, all give the same symptoms with the stone; except that of a needless disposition to stool at the time of making water. Some anatomists, not thinking how foon

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foon fluids taken into the stomach, and not retained there by being mixed with folids, may pass into the blood, as the effects from drinking strong liquors or laudanum, or drinking without eating when we are hot, fufficiently shew; and also not considering the shortness of the course from the stomach to the kidneys this way, together with the fize of the emulgent arteries, and the velocity of the blood in them have imagined and affirmed, that there must be some more immediate course from the stomach or guts to the bladder; and not confidering either how fuch a course would have interrupted one great end in the animal economy, or that veffels fit to fill the bladder faster than the ureters, must have been too large to be concealed: nor, which proves it beyond contradiction, that the bladder is empty when the kidneys cease to do their office; which is frequently taken for a suppression of urine in the bladder. If in this last case, upon making a pressure on the region of the bladder, the patient does not feel great pain, it is fcarce worth while to pass a catheter to fearch for urine. In suppressions of urine, whether merely inflammatory, or from the gout, or from an inflamed stricture in the urethra, I have found nothing fo effectual as bleeding and purging. In a fanguine large man, where the penis was too much inflamed to suffer the catheter to pass, I took away three times twenty-four ounces of blood, and gave a purging clyfter, and two ftrong purges, all within the space of twenty hours, which saved the patient, and delivered him from excessive torment. Such practice may feem very fevere, but in this case no time is to be sost; if the urine can be drawn off, the method of cure is still the same, but to be practifed in a gentler manner.

Glandulæ renales are two glands feated immediately above the kidneys, of no certain figure, nor do we know their use; but always paint and describe them with the urinary parts, because of their fituation: in a very young fœtus they are larger than the kidneys, and in an adult but a little larger than in a fœtus. They receive a great many small arteries, and return each of them one or two veins. In their infide is a small sinus, tinctured with a footy-coloured liquor.

· The testes are seated in the scrotum; their office is to separate the feed from the blood; they are faid to have four coats, two common, and two proper.. The common are the outer skin and a loose membrane immediately underneath, called dartos. The first of the proper is the processus vaginalis; it is continued from the peritonæum to the testicle, which it encloses with all its vessels, but is divided by a feptum, or an adhesion immediately above the testicle, so that no liquor can pass out of that part of this membrane, which incloses the spermatic vessels, into that which incloses the testicle. Large quantities of water are fometimes found in either or both of these cavities, which disease is eafily remedied by a puncture with a lancet; but rarely

rarely cured without opening the cavity where the water is contained, as in finuous ulcers. This I have done, and feen done feveral times, but never thought the cure worth the trouble and pain the patient underwent. The true hernia aquofa is from the abdomen, which either extends the periton aum into the fcrotum, or breaks it, and then forms a new membrane which thickens as it extends, as in aneurisms and atheromatous tumors. This may be decided by an injection, which will shew by the arteries that nourish it, whether it is a production from the peritonæum, or a new membranous bag formed in the fcrotum: however, the dropfy in this cift, for fuch it properly is, rarely admits of more than a palliative cure by puncture or tapping, like the dropfy of the abdomen, and this with some difficulty, because the omentum usually, and sometimes the gut, descends with it. The other proper coat is the albuginea, which is very strong, immediately inclosing the testicles. The testicles of a rat may be unravelled into diffinct veffels; and the texture of the testicles of other animals appear to be the fame, but their vessels are too tender, or cohere too much to be fo feparated. The testicles receive each one artery from the aorta, a little below the emulgents, which, unlike all other arteries, arise small, and dilate in their progress, that the velocity of the blood may be fufficiently abated. for the secretion of so viscid a fluid as the seed. The right testicle returns its vein into the cava, and the

left into the emulgent vein on the fame fide, both because it is the readiest course, and because, as authors say, this spermatic vein would have been obstructed by the pulse of the aorta, if it had crossed that vessel to go to the cava.

A gentleman, whom I castrated many years fince, who trusted too much to his own resolution, and refusing to have any one present to hold him, except my affiftant, during the operation, moved fo much, that the ligature which tied all the veffels with the process together, slipt, and only tied the process over the ends of the vessels: which being perceived foon after the operation, I cut the ligature, and took out the extravafated blood, and tied the artery alone, which gave but little pain, and it digested off in a week's time, and the wound being afterwards stitched, though the testicle weighed a pound, it was perfectly well in five weeks; which is in less time than the ligature sometimes requires to be digested off, when the process and all the vessels are tied together. However, if this case is not fufficient to recommend doing this operation by tying the artery only, it may be fufficient to recommend extraordinary care in doing of it the usual way: for if the blood had found an easy paffage into the abdomen, the patient might have bled to death.

On the upper part of the testicles, are hard bodies called epididymi; which are evidently the beginning of the vasa deferentia. I have un-

ravelled them backward, in fingle veffels, and then into more and finaller, like the excretory veffels of other glands.

- · Vafa deferentia are excretory ducts to carry the elaborated feed into the veficulæ feminales. They pass from the epididymi of the testicles, together with the blood vessels, till they have entered the muscles of the abdomen, and then they pass under the peritonæum, directly through the pelvis, to the vessculæ feminales.
- · Veficulæ feminales are two bodies that appear like veficles; they are feated under the bladder of urine, near its neck; they may be each of them unfolded into one fingle duct, which discharges into the urethra, by the fides of the roftrum gallinaginis, which is an eminence in the under fide of the urethra near the neck of the bladder. In these vesicles, or ducts, the feed is reposited against the time of coition; but in dogs there are no fuch veficles, therefore nature has contrived a large bulb in their penis, which keeps them coupled, feemingly against their inclinations, till the feed can arrive from the testicles. The feed passes from these vesicles in men, and even from the vasa deferentia, in time of coition, through the proftate glands into the urethra, as in those animals that have no veficula feminales; for when the ducts into the urethra are distended, that, is the direct course from the vasa deferentia, as well as from the veficulæ feminales.

· Prostatæ are two glands, or rather one, about the fize of a nutmeg: they lie between the vesiculæ seminales and penis, under the offa pubis, almost within the pelvis of the abdomen.. They feparate a limpid glutinous humour which is carried into the urethra by feveral ducts, which enter near those of the prostatæ. This liquor seems to be defigned to be mixed with the feed in the urethra, in the time of coition, to make it flow more eafily. If the venereal infection reaches the proftate glands, it will fometimes make large abfceffes, which are apt to form finuses, and even make a passage into the bladder. Upon the first attack of this disease, I have prevented all this mischief, by taking off the external skin by incision, as far as the hardness of the tumor extended, which draining very plentifully, the tumor has fubfided, and the patient been eafily cured; but this case once becoming fistulous, is very difficult indeed. It often is cured by opening the finuses and confuming the difeafed parts by escarotics; but a much better and easier way, which I have often done, is to cut out all the fiftulous and difeafed parts at once.

Penis; its shape, situation, and use, need no description. It begins with two bodies named crura, from the offa ischia, which unite under the offa pubis, and are there strongly connected by a ligament. In its under part is the urethra, through which both the seed and urine pass; its

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fore part is called glans, the loofe fkin which covers it, præputium, and the straight part of that skin on the under fide, frænum. The urethra is lined with a membrane filled with finall glands that separate a mucus, that defends it against the acrimony of the urine. These glands are largest nearest the bladder. Mr. Cowper describes three large glands of the urethra, which he discovered; two of which are feated on the fides of the urethra near the ends of the crura penis; to which he adds a third, lefs than the other, feated almost in the urethra, a little nearer the glans than the former. All these glands have excretory ducts into the urethra, and from them are fecreted all the matter which flows from the urethra in a gonorrhœa, whether venereal or not. In the venereal infection, the urethra and the glands are first inflamed by the contagious matter, that causes a heat of urine, which abates as foon as the glands begin to discharge freely; but if by chance this disease continues till any part of the urethra is ulcerated; the ulcer never heals without a cicatrix, which constricts the urethra, and makes that disease which is vulgarly called a caruncle. The inner texture of the penis is spongy, like the inner texture of the spleen, or the ends of the great bones. It is usually distinguished into corpus cavernosum penis, glandis, and urethræ. The first of these makes part of the glans, and is divided its whole length by a feptum; the other two are composed of fmaller cells, and are but one body. On the upper fide of the penis are two arteries, and one vein called vena ipfius penis. The arteries are derived from the beginnings of the umbilical arteries, which parts never dry up, and the vein runs back to the iliac veins. The vena ipfius penis, being obstructed, the blood that comes by the arteries, distends the cells of the whole penis, and makes it erect; but to prevent mischief from this mechanism, there are small collateral veins on the surface of the penis, that carry back some blood all the time the penis is erect; but by what power the vena ipfius penis is obstructed to erect the penis, I cannot conceive, unless small muscular fibres constrict it. Some think the musculi erectores penis do it, by thrusting the penis against the os pubis; but they feem not feated conveniently for fuch an office; besides, if a pressure from the lower fide of the penis is fufficient, an artificial pressure, which may be much greater, should, I think, produce the same effect.

In the feed of men, and of other male animals, LEWENHOECK, by the help of microscopes, discovered an infinite number of animals like tadpoles, which he and others suppose to be men in miniature, and that one of these being entered into an egg in one of the ovaria (see the next chapter) conception is performed. But though scarce any one, that has made due inquiry, has ever doubted of the existence of these animals,

yet there are many who object against this hypothesis; and though I am inclined to think it true, vet I will endeavour impartially to lay down the principal objections and answers, that the reader may judge for himself. The first and strongest objection, is raifed from the feveral inflances that have happened of mixed generation, where the animal produced always appears to partake of both kinds, as in the common case of a mule, which is begot by an ass upon a mare; when, according to that hypothesis, they expect the animal produced from mixed generation should be entirely of the same species with the male animal; as the feeds of plants, whatever earth they grow in, always produce plants of the fame kind. Neverthelefs, if we confider what influence women's fears or longings frequently have upon their children in utero, and how great a change castration makes in the shape of any animal, we cannot then wonder if the mother's blood, to which the animal owes its nourishment and increase, from the time of impregnation to the time of its birth, should be thought a sufficient cause of resemblance between these animals and their mothers. Another objection is, that nature should provide such a multiplicity of these animals, when so few can ever be of use. To which it has been answered, that in plants a very few of the whole that are produced, fall into the earth, and produce plants; and as in plants the greatest part of their seeds are the food of animals, so the greatest part of the animalculæ may as well live a time to enjoy their own existence, as any other animal of as low an order. The last objection is their shape, which I think will appear to have no great weight, when we consider how the eggs of slies produce maggots, which grow up into flies; and the tadpole produced from the egg of a frog, grows into a form as different from a tadpole as the form of a man: and if these animals had produced so few at a time, as that their young might have undergone this change in utero, it is highly probable, that we should not so much as have suspected these analogous changes. But how the animalculæ themselves are produced, is a difficult question, unless by equivocal generation, seeing none of them appear to be in a state of increase, but all of a fize.

In a boy that died of the stone, I found a double ureter, each part being dilated to an inch diameter; the pelvis in each kidney to twice its natural bigness, and the tubuli urinarii, each as

large as the pelvis.

In a man that had never been cut for the stone, I found the ureters dilated in some places to sour inches circumference, and in others but little dilated, and a stone that I sound in the bladder was less than a nutmeg, which must have fallen in several pieces, or both ureters could not have been dilated. From this, and other like observations, I think

I think it appears, that the great fize to which the ureters are usually extended, in people who are troubled with the stone, is owing to small stones which stick at the entrance into the bladder, until the obstructed urine, which dilates the ureters, can force them into the bladder.

I have in feveral subjects found one kidney almost confumed, and once a man with but one kidney; and I have feen lymphatics in a difeafed testicle, as large as a crow-quill.

CHAP. II.

OF THE GENITAL PARTS OF WOMEN.

· THE external parts are the mons veneris, which is that rifing of fat covered with hair above the rima magna upon the os pubis, the great doubling of the skin on each side the rima called labia, and within these a lesser doubling named nymphæ.. These help to close up the orifice of the vagina. The nymphæ are ufually faid to ferve to defend the labia from the urine; but I do not fee how the labia stand more in need of such a defence, than the nymphæ themselves.

· Clitoris is a finall foongy body, bearing fome analogy to the penis in men, but has no urethra.. It begins with two crura from the offa ischia, which uniting under the offa pubis, it proceeds to the upper part of the nymphæ, where it ends under a small doubling of skin, called præputium; and the end which is thus covered is called glans. This is said to be the chief seat of pleasure in coition, in women, as the glans is in men.

A little lower than this, just within the vagina, is the exit of the meatus urinarius.

· Vagina is feated between the bladder of urine and the intestinum rectum.. The texture of it is membranous, and its orifice is contracted with a sphincter (vid. musc. sphincter vaginæ) but the farther part is capacious enough to contain the penis without dilating. Near the beginning of the vagina, immediately behind the orifice of the meatus urinarius, is constantly found in children a valve called hymen, which, looking towards the orifice of the vagina, closes it; but as children grow up, and the sphincter vaginæ grows strong enough to contract and close the orifice of the vagina, this valve becoming useless, ceases to increase, and is then known by the name of carunculæ myrtiformes. There have been a few instances in which the edges of this growing together, it continued unperforate, until it has been necessary to make an incision to let out the menses. The inner part of the vagina is formed into rugæ, which are largest in those who have not used copulation; and least in those who have had many children. Under these rugæ are small glands,

whose excretory ducts are called lacunæ: these glands separate a mucilaginous matter to lubricate the vagina, especially in coition: and are the seat of a gonorrhæa in this sex, as the glands in the urethra are in the male.

· Uterus is feated at the end of the vagina; it is about one inch thick, two broad, and large enough to contain the kernel of a hazel-nut; but in women that have had children, a little larger.. Its orifice into the vagina is called os tincæ, from the resemblance it bears to a tench's mouth. It has two round ligaments which go from the fides of it to the groins through the oblique and transverse muscles of the abdomen, in the same manner as do the feminal vessels in men. This way the gut passes in a hernia intestinalis in women (vid. musculi abdominis.) Some authors mention ligamenta lata, which are nothing but a part of the peritonæum. Near the fides of the uterus lie two bodies called ovaria; they are of a depressed oval figure, about half the fize of men's testicles, and have spermatic vessels; they contain small pel-. lucid eggs, from which they have their name. There are two arteries and two veins, which pass to and from the ovaries or testes, in the same manner that they do in men; but make more windings, and the arteries dilate more fuddenly, in proportion as they are shorter. These arteries and veins detach branches into the uterus and fallopian tubes, and not only make communications betwixt

betwixt the artery and vein on one fide and those of the other, but also with the proper vessels of the uterus, which are detached from the internal iliac arteries and veins. From these vessels in the infide of the uterus, the menstrual purgations are made in women, and fomething of the same kind in brutes, as often as they defire coition. One use of these purgations is, to open the vessels of the uterus, for the veffels of the placenta to join to them. Many authors have imagined, that there must be some evacuations analogous to this, in men, which I cannot fee the necessity of; but, on the contrary, I believe that men's not having fuch evacuations, is the true reason why their bodies grow larger and stronger then women's: and their continuing to grow longer before they are fit for marriage, I also take to be the true reason why there are more males born than females, in about the proportion of thirteen to twelve; for women being fooner fit for marriage than men, fewer will die before that time, than of men.

· Near the fides of the ovaria are feated the tubæ fallopianæ, one end of which is connected to the uterus and the fide of the ovarium by a membrane, the other end is loofe, and being jagged is called morfus diaboli. Among thefe jaggs is a fmall orifice which leads into the tube, which near this end is about a quarter of an inch diameter, and thence, growing gradually finaller, paffes to the uterus, and enters there with an orifice about

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about the fize of a hog's briftle. The use of these tubes is to convey the male feed from the uterus to the ovaria, to impregnate the eggs for conceptions; yet they appear so ill adapted to this end, that many have supposed there must be some other passage from the uterus to the ovaria: but when we consider the case of conceptions found in these tubes, and the exact analogy between these and the tubes of birds, where we have the most undeniable proofs of the feed going through the tube, and of the eggs being impregnated that way, and of the eggs coming from the ovarium through the tube, and feemingly with much greater difficulty than in women; and besides, how frequently a matter like the male feed (which I fuppose is feed) is found in the fallopian tubes of women, as I have found in executed bodies, and in a common whore that died fuddenly, it appears to me almost certain, that the feed goes through the fallopian tubes to the ovaria to impregnate eggs, and comes back through the same tubes to the uterus. I have feen in a woman both the fallopian tubes unperforated, which, upon the foregoing hypothesis, must have caused barrenness, and feed lodged in these tubes may have the same effect; which I take to be often the case of common whores, and women that use coition too frequently; and perhaps the fat in the membrane that connects the ovaria to the tubes, may in very fat women so keep these tubes from the ovaria as

to interrupt impregnations; and befides thefe cases, too much or too little of the menses may destroy or interrupt conceptions; but the latter case, especially in young women, is very rare. From fuch causes as these, and not from imbecility, I imagine it is that barrenness oftener procceds from women than men; and though women do not propagate to fo great an age as men, it is not, I believe, for want of being impregnated, but from their menses ceasing, and those vessels being closed which should nourish the fœtus after the impregnation, as if on purpose to prevent the propagation of a feeble and infirm species. And from this confideration, one cannot but think that the perfection of the fœtus, notwithstanding it is first formed in the male feed, depends more upon the femalethan the male; or elfe that nature would, for the fake of the species, have been careful to hinder men as well as women from propagating in a declining age.

CHAP. III.

OF THE FOETUS IN UTERO.

. THE fœtus in utero is involved in two coats, viz. chorion, which is external, and amnion, which immediately incloses the fœtus.. They contain a quantity of liquor, which is a proper medium for so tender a being as the fœtus to rest in, and partly fecures it from external injuries, as the aqueous humour does the chrystalline in the eye; and when the membranes burst at the time of production, this humour lubricates the vagina uteri, to render the birth less difficult. And feeing the stomach of a fœtus in utero is always full of a fluid, like what is contained in the amnion, and the guts not without excrements; we may suppose that this fluid is frequently, during the time of gestation, swallowed by the fœtus, if not for nourishment, at least to keep these parts in use, and to flow through the lacteals, as a quantity of blood from the right ventricle of the heart flows through the Jungs before the birth to keep open those passages till the birth, there being after that time no other way of receiving nourishment, and that the fæces found in the guts of a fœtus are those parts of this fluid that were taken in at the mouth, and were too gross to enter the lacteals. own it takes off very much from the probability of the opinion of the fœtus's imbibing this liquor, liquor, that, if I am rightly informed, some who have been born with mouths and nostrils unperforate, have had such sluids and excrements in the intestines that other setus's have, which must be confessed, may be derived from the salivary glands and from the liver, &c. The following curious passage was sent me by Mr. Monro. "This li-" quor contributes nothing to the nourishment of "the setus, for these reasons; first, because, as "you have well observed, vast numbers of in-"stances might be produced, where no passage "was to be found for it: I shall give you one I "faw myself in the Hotel de Dieu at Paris, in "1718.

"MARY GUERLIN brought forth two children, "one a complete girl, the other had neither head, "neck, arms, heart, lungs, ftomach, fmall guts, "liver, fpleen, or pancreas, yet the great guts, "the organs of urine and generation of a female, "and lower extremities were perfect, and of a na-"tural growth; the umbilical vein, after entering "the abdomen, fplit into a great many branches, "which were distributed to the several parts in "its abdomen. Though it is true that foon af-"ter conception, the liquor in the amnion, and "that in the stomach of the fœtus resemble one "another pretty near, yet afterward they differ "exceedingly; for the liquor in the stomach is "fill gelatinous, thick, and without acrimony, "while the other becomes thinner and more acrid; " whereas,

"whereas, had the fœtus constantly swallowed "this liquor, the case would have been quite op-"posite; nay, often it has happened that these "waters (as they are commonly called) have been "found quite corrupted, strongly fetid, and ex-"tremely sharp, while the fœtus, except the in-"juries which the external parts received, was "well and found; witness the example mentioned "by Bellinger, of a woman who was cured " of a virulent gonorrhœa during her going with "child. And farther, by MALPIGHIUS's delinea-"tions of the pullus in ovo, it appears to be evi-"dent that the afitellus ferves the fame purpose as "the placenta does in viviparous animals, to con-"vey the albumen attenuated by incubation into "the blood veffels of the chick, and that none of "the albumen does pass through the saccus col-" liquamenti."

• Besides these coats, in a cow and many other animals, we find a membrane called alantois; it is inclosed by the chorion together with the amnion, and contains a quantity of water which it receives from the bladder of urine by the urachus. Its use seems to be to contain the urine, that it might not by the common passage be emptied into the liquor of the amnion, of which the sectus, I am inclined to think, is frequently drinking.

Whether an alantois is to be found with a human feetus or no, anatomists are not agreed, and I cannot give my opinion, having never had a

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fufficient opportunity to inquire. But furely children having an urachus, one cannot well doubt of an alantois. I have been informed by a gentleman, whose probity I can sufficiently rely on, that he had feen a child that had no external genital parts, and made water through the navel. At Henley upon Thames, there is now living a bargeman's child about ten years old, of which I had the like account; but upon examination I found the unperforated glans with its frænum immediately below the place of the navel, and the urine issued out by drops between this and the belly, in the place which I suppose was the navel, but it was fo much excoriated, that I could make no certain judgment about it. In the uterus of a cow with two calves, I found they had but one chorion, but each an amnion and alantois distinct; but the cotyledons, which are analogous to the placenta of the human fœtus, were pretty much in common to the umbilical blood veffels of both.

The placenta, or womb-liver, is a mass of blood vessels seated on the outside of the chorion, being composed of the extreme branches of the umbilical vein and arteries, which are, for the composition of this part, divided into exceeding small branches, to join a like number of the menstrual vessels of the uterus; which vessels of the uterus are made numerous rather than large, that the separation of the placenta from them may not be attended with a flux of blood fatal to the mo-

ther; for the fides of little veffels foon collapse and close, and they are more easily stopped, being compressed by the uterus itself as it shrinks, which it begins to do from the time of the birth; but when the placenta is separated before the delivery, whether untimely or not, these vessels bleed until the uterus is discharged of the fœtus. The sigure of the placenta is circular, and at its greatest growth about two inches thick, and six or seven in diameter.

· The arteries and veins of the uterus of the mother, by which the menstrual purgations are made, are joined to the umbilical arteries and veins in the placenta of the fœtus, the arteries of the uterus to the veins in the placenta, and the veins in the uterus to the arteries of the placenta: by these veffels a large quantity of blood is continually flowing from the mother to the fœtus and back again; but for what end fuch a quantity flows continually, and back again, I cannot conceive, unless it is that the fœtus not breathing for itself, it is necessary that as much blood of the mother should flow continually to the fœtus, as can leave enough of air, or whatever our blood receives in the lungs, for the fœtus; and perhaps what nutritious juices the fœtus receives, require a great deal of blood to convey them, they being but a fmall part of the blood. And though the blood paffes fo plentifully between the mother and the fœtus, yet the communications are not fo obvious as they

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are between the arteries and veins in the same body; which makes fome think the communication is not made by inofculations of veffels, but that the fœtus is nourished from the placenta in a vegetable manner; but, I own, I am not of this opinion. The navel-string or umbilical blood vessels, between the placenta and the navel, are about two feet long, that the fœtus may have room to move without tearing the placenta from the uterus, which being done too foon, from whatever caufe, occasions a miscarriage. These vessels, viz. two arteries and one vein, twift about each other, particularly the arteries about the vein, and are contained in one common coat together with a veffel called urachus, which arifes from the top of the bladder of urine, and ends in the membrana alantois; the umbilical vein goes from the navel directly into the liver, and there enters the great trunk of the vena portæ. Near which entrance there goes out the ductus venofus to the great trunk of the cava, which carries part of the blood that is brought by the umbilical vein, that way into the cava, while the rest circulates with the blood in the porta, the whole of it not passing through the ductus venosus, as is generally believed, but a great part of it into branches of the porta, in the liver, otherwise there need be no communication between the umbilical vein and the porta. When the umbilical vein is stopped, it becomes a ligament, and the ductus venofus foon shrinks

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and almost disappears, having no longer any blood flowing through it; and even the porta itself within the liver, from whence only blood could país after the birth into the ductus venofus, has less blood flowing through it for some time than it had before the birth, it receiving much blood before the birth from the umbilical vein. The blood which flows from the mother to the fœtus by the umbilical vein, is returned, all but a fmall quantity, which is referved for nutrition by the two umbilical arteries, which arise from the internal iliac arteries, and passing by the outsides of the bladder go directly to the navel, and placenta; these with the urachus being shrunk up after the birth, lofe much of their appearance, especially near the navel, where they are fometimes not to be diftinguished.

Part of the blood before the birth, and not the whole quantity, as is generally thought, which is brought by the afcending cava to the right auricle, paffes at once through the foramen ovale into the left auricle, and the rest slows into the right ventricle with the blood of the descending cava, and thence into the pulmonary artery, where about one half slows into the lungs, and the other half directly into the aorta by the ductus arteriosus, which lies between the pulmonary artery and the aorta, which after the birth is called ductus arteriosus in ligamentum versus. The better to explain this contrivance, I will call the quantity of blood

blood flowing through the afcending cava in a given time, four; and that which flows through the descending cava, two: then let two of the quantity in the afcending cava flow into the right auricle, it will then with the two received from the descending cava have the quantity four; which being thrown from the right ventricle into the pulmonary artery, the quantity two is thrown into the aorta by the ductus arteriofus, and the fame quantity into the lungs by the pulmonary branches; then the quantity returning from the lungs to the left auricle, will be two in the fame given time, which being added to the two which flowed through the foramen ovale, in the same time there will be constantly the same proportions received into each ventricle, at every diastole of the ventricles, as after the birth. Now if the blood, flowing through the afcending cava joined by that from the umbilical vein, was but equal to that flowing through the descending, let each of them be called two and let all the blood of the afcending cava go through the foramen ovale; then the blood which the left ventricle would receive, would exceed that which flows into the right, by the whole quantity which flows from the lungs in the fame time; but the afcending cava conveying more blood than the descending cava, the excefs in the left ventricle would be yet greater. If the proportions, which I have taken for the easier computing, were perfectly right, as I am fure thev

they are nearly, then the quantity flowing into the left ventricle would be to that flowing into the right at the fame time as five to two, if all the afcending blood went through the foramen ovale.

And though after the birth the left ventricle of the heart is only employed in throwing blood into the aorta, and the right wholly employed in circulating the blood through the lungs; yet before the birth, all the blood thrown out by the left ventricle, and about half the blood thrown out of the right ventricle, being thrown into the aorta, and the other part only through the lungs, it foldows, that the whole force exerted by the left ventricle, with about half that of the right, is employed in throwing blood into the aorta, while that distributes blood through the whole fœtus and to the mother: but after the birth, when the blood is to be no longer carried from the fœtus to the mother, the left ventricle becomes fufficient for the circulation through the feetus, and a new occasion immediately arises for that additional power, which before was necessarily employed in throwing blood into the aorta; for the whole mass of blood now being to be circulated through the lungs, the ductus arteriofus closes, and the right ventricle must throw all the blood it receives into the lungs, there being no longer any passage into the aorta. It is supposed that the inflation of the lungs at the birth, prefently alters the position of the ductus arteriofus, fo as to obstruct it; which account is indeed mechanical, but, I think, not true, because I can neither discern that the position of this vessel is altered, nor its surface compressed: but I rather think that immediately upon the birth, there being no blood carried off from the fœtus to the mother, and the left ventricle being fufficient to fill the aorta and its branches with blood, as I have shewn before, there is no longer room for any blood from the right ventricle; wherefore the blood from the right ventricle will be forced into the lungs, where the paffage is now made eafy, as I imagine, by their being inflated: and the ductus arteriofus, having the blood no longer forced into it, shrinks, and in time almost disappears. This duct being stopped, the valve of the foramen ovale foon stops that passage, it being on the fide of the left auricle (or that muscular bag, which is the largest part of that auricle) which being much the strongest, the valve must be pressed more on that side than the other, by the blood, in the time of the fystole of the auricle; and it is as evident, that in the diaftole of the auricle, there must be more pressure to open that than the right, it being a stronger muscle, or elfe there could have been no reason for having the left auricle stronger than the right, in proportion to their ventricles. Sometimes this valve does not quite cover the foramen, in which case a small quantity of the blood may possibly flow from the left auricle to the right, and fo circulate twice through through the lungs to once through the body, but none could flow from the right to the left and escape the lungs, which might be of bad confequence. Some have imagined, that men, who have this passage open, cannot be drowned: but though this passage is sometimes found open, no man has been yet feen, that we have ever heard of, that could not be drowned. I have feen the foramen open in a man that was hanged, to whom one might justly expect it should have been as useful as in the case of submersion in water. Many writers have supposed, that this foramen is open in amphibious animals, and in fuch fishes as have two auricles, two ventricles, and lungs like land animals, without gills, which in other fish are analogous to lungs. I have diffected a porpoife, which is of this kind, and found this foramen closed, but the great veins were vastly large in proportion to the bulk of the animal; whence I conjectured, their blood was accumulated in their veins, while they kept under water, and by that means the lungs escaped being oppressed with blood; which conjecture feemed to me the more probable, fince all animals of this kind are able to abide the least time under water, when their blood is most expanded with heat. But upon the diffection of an otter, whose foramen ovale was also closed, I found the veins nothing differing from those of other animals. In a water-tortoise, which I had an opportunity of examining, with that most

most dexterous and indefatigable anatomist, Dr. Douglas, I found the two ventricles of the heart but half divided by a feptum, and in the beginning of the pulmonary artery feveral strong muscular, rings, a little distance from each other, each of which, by contracting, would be capable of refifting a part of that blood which otherwise would have been thrown into the lungs, when they were under water; and this blood fo obstructed must necessarily be thrown into the aorta, the two ventricles being in a manner one common cavity; and when they are out of the water, this communication of ventricles will fuffer but little confusion of the blood which flows into the ventricles, because each ventricle receiving and discharging the same quantity of blood, at the same time, they will balance each other, and thereby fuch a mixture will be very much prevented. Mr. Monro observes, that the water-tortoise has very large lungs, confifting of larger veficles than land animals, and that they receive a great quantity of air to furnish that je ne sçai quoi so necesfary for the life of animals; the fame thing I have observed in frogs.

As to the reason of women's bringing forth at the usual time; it has been said, that at that time the head of the child begins to be specifically heavier than the rest of the body, and therefore must sail lowest in the sluid it lies in, which being an uneasy posture, makes the child struggle, and

bring on the labour. But it is not true, that the head then alters its specific gravity; or, if it did, there is seldom fluid enough in the amnion for this purpose; and besides, this could only happen right in one posture, and would usually happen wrong in brutes.

CHAP. IV.

OF THE EYE.

THE figure, fituation, and use of the eyes, together with the eye-brows, eye-lashes, and eye-lids, being well known, I need only describe what is usually shewn by diffecting. The orbit of the eye, or cavity in which it is contained, is in all the vacant places filled with a loofe fat, which is a proper medium for the eye to rest in, and ferves as a focket for it to be moved in. In the upper and outer part of the orbit, is feated the lacrymal gland. Its use is to furnish at all times water enough to wash off dust, and to keep the outer furface of the eye moist, without which the tunica cornea would be less pellucid, and the rays of light would be disturbed in their passage; and that this liquor may be rightly disposed of, we frequently close the eye-lids to spread it equally, even when we are not conscious of doing it. At the inner corner of the eye, between the eye-lids, flands. stands a caruncle, which seems to be placed to keep that corner of the eye-lids from being totally closed, that any tears or gummy matter may flow from under the eye-lids, when we sleep, or into the puncta lacrymalia, which are little holes, one in each eye-lid, near this corner, to carry off into the ductus ad nasum any supersucus tears.

The first membrane of the eye is called conjunctiva; it covers so much of the eye as is called the white, and being reflected all round, it lines the two eye-lids; it being thus returned from the eye to the inside of the eye-lids, it effectually hinders any extraneous bodies from getting behind the eye into the orbit, and smooths the parts it covers, which makes the friction less between the eye and the eye-lids. This coat is very full of blood vessels, as appears upon any instammation.

• Tunica sclerotis, and cornea, make together one firm case of a proper form, for the use of the other coats and humours. The fore part of this strong coat being transparent, and like horn, is called cornea, and the rest sclerotis. Under the cornea lies the iris, which is an opaque membrane, like the tunica choroides, but of different colours in different eyes, such as the eye appears, as grey, black, or hazel; for being seated under the tunica cornea, it gives such an appearance to that as it has itself. The middle of it is personated for the admission of the rays of light, and is called the pupil. Immediately under

the iris lie the proceffus ciliares, like radial lines from a leffer circle to a greater. When these proceffes contract, they dilate the pupil to fuffer more rays of light to enter into the eye; and the contrary is done by the circular fibres of the iris, which act as a sphincter muscle: but these changes are not made with great quickness, as appears from the eyes being oppressed with a strong light for fome time, after we come out of a dark place, and from the contrary effect in going fuddenly from a light place to a dark one. And as the pupil always dilates in darker places, to receive more rays of light, fo when any difease makes some of those rays ineffectual, which pass through the pupil, it dilates as in dark places to admit more light; therefore a dilated pupil is a certain fign of a bad eye, and this may be differed usually fooner than the patient difcerns any defect in vision. In men the pupil is round, which fits them to fee every way alike; it is also round in animals that are the prey both of birds and beafts. But graminivorous brutes, that are too large to be the prey of birds, have it oblong horizontally, which fits them to view a large space upon the earth; while animals of the cat kind, who climb trees and prey indifferently on birds or animals that hide in the earth, have their pupils oblong the contrary way, which fits them best to look upward and downward at once. Besides these there are other animals whose pupils are in these forms, but in less proportions,

proportions, fo as best to sit their ways of life. Immediately under the sclerotis, is a membrane of little firmness, called choroides. In men it is of a rusty dark colour, such as will bury almost all the rays of light, that pass through the tunica retina, which if it were of a brighter colour, would reflect many of the rays upon the retina, and make a fecond image upon the first somewhat less, and less distinct, but both together stronger; which is the case of brutes of prey, where a great part of this coat is perfectly white, which makes them fee bodies of all colours in the night better than men, for white reflects all colours: but brutes that feed only on grafs, have the fame parts of this membrane of a bright green, which enables them also to fee with less light, and makes grass an object that they can difcern with greatest strength. But these advantages in brutes necessarily destroy great accuracy in vision, which is of little or no use to them, but to men of great consequence. This green part of the tunica choroides in animals that graze, may properly be called membrana uvea, from its refemblance in colour to an unripe grape. But in men's eyes only a white circle round the back fide of the choroides near the cornea, is called uvea.

· Immediately under the tunica choroides lies the tunica retina, which is the optic nerve expanded and co-extended with the choroides. Rays of light striking upon this membrane, the fensation

fensation is conveyed by the optic nerves, to the commen fenforium the brain. These nerves do not enter at the middle of the bottom of the eyes, but nearer the nose; for those rays of light being ineffectual for vision that fall upon the entrance of the optic nerves, it is fit they should so enter, as that the same object or part of any object should not be unperceived in both eyes, as would have been the case, had they been otherwise inserted; which appears from a common experiment of part of an object being lost to one eye, when we are looking towards it with the other shut. I know a gentleman, who having loft one eye by the fmallpox, and going through a hedge, a thorn unfeen (probably from this cause) firuck the other and put it out. The two optic nerves, foon after they arise out of the brain, join, and seem perfectly united; yet from the following case I am not without fuspicion of their fibres being preserved diffinct, and that the nerve of each eye arises wholly from the opposite side of the brain, or elfe that the other nerves throughout the body arife from the brain, and medulla oblongata, on the fides opposite to those they come out of. A foldier, who was my patient in the hospital about five years fince, had, by a push with a broad fword, his left eye raifed in the orbit, which I replaced with my fingers; it was prefently followed with excessive pain in the right side of the head only; and a loss of the sense of feeling and motion

motion in both the right limbs; the fenfe of feeling he recovered by degrees in about a month, and foon after began to recover their motion, but was twelve months before he could walk, and lift up his hand to his head; and in about two years recovered all but the fight of the wounded eye, which indeed did not appear perfect. In fish these nerves arise distinct from the opposite sides of the brain, and cross without uniting; but as these animals have their eyes so placed, as not to fee the fame object with both eyes at once, whereas animals, whose optic nerves feem to unite, do fee the fame object with both eyes at once, one would fuspect that in one they were joined to make the object not appear double, and in the other distinct, to make their two eyes (as they are to view different objects at the same time) independent on each other: and yet from the following cases, the seeing objects single seems not to depend upon any fuch union, nor from the light striking upon corresponding fibres of the nerves, as others have believed, but upon a judgment from experience, all objects appearing fingle to both eyes in the manner we are most used to observe them, but in other cases double; for though we have a distinct image from each eye fent to the brain, yet while both these images are of an object feen in one and the same place, we conceive of them as one; fo when one image appears to the eyes (when they are distorted or wrong directed)

rected) in two different places, it gives the idea of two; and when two bodies are feen in one place, as two candles rightly placed, through one hole in a board, they appear one. But cases of this kind being too numerous, I will conclude with one very remarkable, and, I think, much in favour of this opinion. A gentleman, who from a blow on the head had one eye distorted, found every object appear double, but by degrees, the most familiar ones became single, and in time, all objects became so, without any amendment of the distortion.

· The infide of the eye is filled with three humours, called aqueous, crystalline, and vitreous. The aqueous lies foremost, and feems chiefly of use to prevent the crystalline from being easily bruifed by rubbing, or a blow; and perhaps it ferves for the crystalline humour to move forward in, while we view near objects, and backward for remoter objects; without which mechanism, or, in the place of it, a greater convexity in the crystalline humour in the former case, and a less convexity in the latter, I do not imagine, according to the laws of optics, how we could fo distinctly fee objects at different distances. However it is in land-animals, I think we may plainly fee that fish move their crystalline humour nearer the bottom of the eye when they are out of water, and the contrary way in water; because light is less refracted from water through the crystalline hu-

mour than from air. Some have faid, that amphibious animals have a membrane like the membrana nictitans of birds, which ferves them as a lens in the water. I have examined the eye of a crocodile, which Sir HANS SLOAN kept in spirits, and I found this membrane equally thick and denfe, and confequently unfit for this purpose, or, I believe, any other, except that obvious one, of defending the eye from the water. Next behind the aqueous humour lies the crystalline; its shape is a depressed spheroid, it is distinctly contained in a verý fine membrane called aranea. The use of this humour is to refract the rays of light which pass through it, so that each pencil of rays from the same point of any object may be united upon the retina, as in a camera obscura, to make the stronger impression; and though by this union of the rays a picture inverted is made upon the retina, yet furely it is the impulse only of the rays upon the retina that is the cause of vision; for had the colour of the retina been black, and confequently unfit to receive fuch a picture, would not the impulse of light upon it have been fufficient for vision? or would such a picture, if it could have been made without any impulse, have ever conveyed any fenfation to the brain? Then if the impulse of light upon the retina, and. not the image upon the retina, is the cause of vifion; when we inquire why an image inverted in the eye appears otherwife to the mind, might

we not expect to find the true cause from considering the directions in which the rays strike the retina, as we judge of above and below from a like experience, when any thing strikes upon any part of our bodies? Nevertheless, in viewing an object through a lens, we conceive of it as inverted; when as in receiving the impulses of light in the fame manner, and having the picture on the retina in the same attitude, when we stand on our heads without the lens, we have not the same, but the contrary idea of the position of the object. Though I have confidered this humour only as a refractor of light, yet the first and greatest refraction is undoubtedly made in the cornea; but it being concavo-convex, like glasses of that kind, while one fide makes the rays of light converge, the other diverges them again. fame thing also may be observed of the aqueous humour, which is indeed more concave than convex; but when the crystalline humour is removed in the couching a cataract, the aqueous possesses its place and becomes a lens; but that refracting light less than the crystalline, whose place and shape it partly takes, the patient needs a convex glass to fee accurately. In some eyes, either this humour being too convex or too distant from the retina, the rays unite too foon, unless the object is held very near to the eye, which fault is remediable by a concave glass; as the contrary fault, common to old persons, is by a convex glass. If the eye had

had been formed for a nearer view, the object would often obstruct the light; if it had been much farther, light enough would not commonly have been produced from the object to the eye. In fish the crystalline humour seems a perfect sphere, which is necessary for them, because light being less refracted from water through the crystalline humour than from air, that defect is compensated by a more convex lens. The vitreous humour lies behind the crystalline, and fills up the greatest part of the eye: its fore side is concave for the crystalline humour to lodge in, and its back side being convex, the tunica retina is spread over it; it serves as a medium to keep the crystalline humour and the retina at a due distance.

The larger animals having larger eyes, their organs of vision, like a microscope with a large lens, are fit to take in a greater view, but in that view things are not fo much magnified; in leffer animals a fmall space is discerned, such as is their fphere of action, but that greatly magnified, not really fo in either case, but comparatively, for vision shews not the real magnitude of objects, but their proportions one to another. Fish have their eyes, and particularly their pupils, larger than land animals, because there is less light, and that not fo far diffributed in water as in the air. In all inflammations in the eye, the utmost haste should be made, by bleeding, purging, abstinence, &c. to get rid of the inflammation, because a continued

tinued inflammation feldom fails to make white opaque fears in the cornea, which cause dimness if not blindness; and no eye-water with powders in it should ever be put upon the eye, because none can be made fine enough.

An account of observations made by a young gentleman who was lorn blind, or lost his sight so early that he had no remembrance of ever having seen, and was couched between thirteen and sourteen years of age.

THOUGH we fay of this gentleman that he was blind, as we do of all people who have ripe cataracts, yet they are never fo blind from that cause but that they can discern day from night, and for the most part, in a strong light, distinguish black, white, and fcarlet; but they cannot perceive the shape of any thing; for the light, by which these perceptions are made, being let in obliquely through the aqueous humour, or the anterior furface of the crystalline, by which the rays cannot be brought into a focus upon the retina, they can discern in no other manner, than a found eye can through a glass of broken jelly, where a great variety of furfaces fo differently refract the light, that the feveral diffinct pencils of rays cannot be collected by the eye into their proper foci; wherefore the shape of an object in such a case cannot be at all differened, though the colour may: . And

And thus it was with this young gentleman, who, though he knew these colours asunder in a good light, yet when he saw them after he was couched, the faint ideas he had of them before, were not sufficient for him to know them by afterwards, and therefore he did not think them the same which he had before known by those names. Now scarlet he thought the most beautiful of all colours, and of others the most gay were the most pleasing; whereas the first time he saw black it gave him great uneasiness, yet after a little time he was reconciled to it; but some months after, seeing by accident a negro woman, he was struck with great horror at the sight.

When he first faw, he was so far from making any judgment about distances, that he thought all objects whatever touched his eyes (as he expressed it) as what he felt did his skin, and thought no objects fo agreeable as those which were smooth and regular, though he could form no judgment of their shape, or guess what it was in any object that was pleafing to him: He knew not the shape of any thing, nor any one thing from another, however different in shape or magnitude; but upon being told what things were, whose form he before knew from feeling, he would carefully observe, that he might know them again; but having too many objects to learn at once, he forgot many of them; and (as he faid) at first he learned to know, and again forgot a thousand things things in a day. One particular only, though it may appear trifling, I will relate: Having often forgot which was the cat, and which the dog, he was ashamed to ask; but catching the cat, which he knew by feeling, he was observed to look at her stedfastly, and then, setting her down, said, So, puss, I shall know you another time. He was very much furprifed, that those things which he had liked best, did not appear most agreeable to his eyes, expecting those persons would appear most beautiful that he loved most, and such things to be most agreeable to his fight that were so to his taste. We thought he foon knew what pictures reprefented, which were shewed to him, but we found afterwards we were mistaken; for about two months after he was couched, he difcovered at once they represented solid bodies, when to that time he confidered them only as party-coloured planes, or furfaces diverlified with variety of paint; but even then he was no less furprised, expecting the pictures would feel like the things they represented, and was amazed when he found those parts, which by their light and shadow appeared now round and uneven, felt only flat like the rest, and asked which was the lying fenfe, feeling, or feeing?

Being shewn his father's picture in a locket at his mother's watch, and told what it was, he acknowledged a likeness, but was vastly surprised; asking, how it could be, that a large face could be expressed in so little room; saying, it should have seemed as impossible to him, as to put a

bushel of any thing into a pint.

At first, he could bear but very little light, and the things he faw he thought extremely large; but upon feeing things larger, those first feen he conceived less, never being able to imagine any lines beyond the bounds he faw; the room he was in, he faid, he knew to be but part of the house, yet he could not conceive that the whole house could look bigger. Before he was couched, he expected little advantage from feeing, worth undergoing an operation for, except reading and writing; for he faid, he thought he could have no more pleasure in walking abroad then he had in the garden, which he could do fafely and readily. And even blindness, he observed, had this advantage, that he could go any where in the dark, much better than those who can see; and after he had feen, he did not foon lofe this quality, nor defire a light to go about the house in the night. He faid, every new object was a new delight; and the pleasure was so great, that he wanted words to express it; but his gratitude to his operator he could not conceal, never feeing him for fome time without tears of joy in his eyes, and other marks of affection: And if he did not happen to come at any time when he was expected, he would be so grieved, that he could not forbear crying at his disappointment. A year after first seeing, being carried carried upon Epfom Downs, and observing a large prospect, he was exceedingly delighted with it, and called it a new kind of seeing. And now being lately couched of his other eye, he says, that objects at first appeared large to this eye, but not so large as they did at first to the other; and looking upon the same object with both eyes, he thought it looked about twice as large as with the first couched eye only, but not double, that we can any ways discover.

I have couched feveral others who were born blind, whose observations were of the same kind; but they being younger, none of them gave so full an account as this gentleman.

CHAP. V.

OF THE EAR.

THE figure and fituation of the outer ear needs no description. Its inner substance is cartilage, which preserves its form without being liable to break. Its use is to collect founds, and direct them into the meatus auditorius, which is the passage that leads to the drum; this passage is lined with a glandular membrane, in which also is some hair; the cerumen which is separated by these glands, being spread all over this membrane, and its hairs, serve to defend the membrane from the

outer

outer air, and to entangle any infect that might otherwise get into the ear. Sometimes this wax being separated in too great quantity, it fills up the passage and causes deafness; and those great discharges of matter from the meatus auditorius, which are commonly called imposthumes in the ear, I think, can be nothing elfe but ulcerations, or great fecretions from these glands. At the farther end of the meatus auditorius lies the membrana tympani, which is extended upon a bony ridge almost circular. Its fituation in men and brutes is nearly horizontal, inclined towards the meatus auditorius, which is the best position to receive sounds; a great part of them being ordinarily reverberated from the earth. In men and brutes it is concave outward, but in birds it is convex outward, fo as to make the upper fide of it nearly perpendicular to the horizon, which feems fitter to hear each other's founds when they are high in the air, where they can receive but little reverberated found. This membrane does not entirely close the passage, but has on one fide a finall aperture covered with a valve. I found it once half open in a man that I diffected, who had not been deaf; and I have feen a man smoak a whole pipe of tobacco out through his cars, which must go from the mouth through the eustachian tube, and through the tympanum; yet this man heard perfectly well. These cases occafioned me to break the tympanum in both 'ears of a dog, and it did not destroy his hearing, but for fome

fome time he received strong founds with great horror. Mr. St. Andre has affured me, that a patient of his had the tympanum destroyed by an ulcer, and the auditory bones cast out, without destroying his hearing. From these, and other like cases, it may be concluded, that the membrana tympani, though useful in hearing, is not the feat of that fense; and if any disease in that membrane should obstruct the passage of sounds to the internal parts of the ear, which are the feat of that fense, an artificial passage through that membrane might recover hearing, as the removing the crystalline humour, when that obstructs the light, recovers fight. Some years fince a malefactor was pardoned on condition that he suffered this experiment, but he falling ill of a fever, the operation was deferred, during which time there was fo great a public clamour raised against it that it was afterwards thought fit to be forbid. In very young children I have always found this membrane covered with mucus, which feems necessary to prevent founds from affecting them too much, there being no provision to shut the ears, as there is for the eyes. A gentleman well known in this city, having had four children born deaf, was advised to lay blisters upon the heads of the next children he might have, which he did to three which were born afterward, and every one of them heard well. It feems not unreasonable to suppose that too great a quantity of this mucus upon the drum might be the cause of deafness

deafness in the four children, and that the discharge made by the blisters in the latter cases was the cause of their escaping the same misfortune.

· Into the middle of the tympanum is extended a fmall bone called malleus, whose other end is articulated to a bone called incus, which is also articulated by the intervention of an exceeding small one, called orbiculare, to a fourth bone called stapes.. These bones are contained in that cavity behind the tympanum, which is called the barrel of the ear; but fome anatomists call the barrel only tympanum, and the membrane membrana tympani. The malleus being moved inward by the mufculus obliquus internus, or trochlearis, it extends the tympanum that it may be the more affected by impulse of founds when they are too weak. This muscle rises from the cartilaginous part of the euflachian tube, and paffing from thence in a proper groove, it is reflected under a fmall process, and thence passes on perpendicular to the tympanum, to be inserted into the handle of the malleus, fometimes with a double tendon. Parallel to this muscle lies another extensor of the tympanum, called obliquus externus; it arises from the outer and upper part of the euftachian tube, and passing through the same hole with the chorda tympani, which is a branch of the fifth pair of nerves, it is inferted into a long process of the malleus: This is not fo obviously an extensor as to be known to be fo without an experiment. The muscle which

which relaxes this membrane is called externus tympani; it arises from the upper part of the auditory passage, under the membrane which lines that passage, and is inferted into the upper process of the malleus. The relaxation of the tympanum is made by this mufcle, without our knowledge, when founds are too strong; and as the pupil of the eye is contracted when we have too much light, and dilated when there is too little, from what cause soever, so when sounds are too low, or the fense of hearing imperfect, from whatever cause, the extensors of the tympanum stretch it to make the impulse of founds more effectual upon it, just as in the case of the common drum, and the chords of any musical instrument. From the cavity behind the tympanum, which is called the barrel of the ear, goes the eustachian tube, or iter ad palatum; it ends cartilaginous behind the palate. This passage seems to be exactly of the fame use with the hole in the side of the common drum, that is, to let the air pass in and out from the barrel of the ear to make the membrane vibrate the better, and perhaps in the ear, which is closer than a common drum, to let air in or out as it alters in denfity; and if any fluid should be feparated in the barrel of the ear, to give it a passage out. This passage being obstructed, as it is sometimes, by a large polypus behind the uvula, it causes great difficulty of hearing, and sometimes, when the meatus auditorius is obstructed, a man opening

opening his mouth wide, will hear pretty well through this paffage, which is often fo open, as that fyringing water through the nose, it shall pass through into the barrel of the ear, and cause deafness for some time. If any one would try how he can hear this way, let him stop his ears, and take between his teeth the end of a wire, or chord that will vibrate well, and holding the other end, strike it, and the found that he hears will be through this paffage. To the stapes there is one muscle, called musculus stapedis; it lies in a long channel, and ending in the stapes, it serves to pull the stapes off of the fenestra ovalis, which otherwife it covers. Besides the fenestra ovalis, there is another near it, fomewhat lefs, called rotunda; thefe two holes lead to a cavity called vestibulum, which leads into other cavities aptly called cochlea, and three femicircular canals, or all together the labyrinth, in which are fpread the auditory nerves, to receive and convey the impulse of founds to the common fenforium the brain; and furely the chorda tympani, which is a branch of the fifth pair of nerves, may also convey these sensations to the brain. The two holes, called fenestra ovalis and rotunda, are closed with a fine membrane, like the membrane called the drum, and the larger being occasionally covered and uncovered by the stapes, founds are thereby made to influence more or less, as best ferves for hearing; and this advantage being added to that of a lax or tense tympa-

num, the effect of founds may be greatly increased or leffened upon the auditory nerves, expanded in the labyrinth. In the strongest founds, the tympanum may be lax, and the feneftra ovalis covered; and for the lowest, the tympanum tense and the fenestra uncovered. If founds propagated in the ear were heard less, we might often be in danger before we were apprized of it; and if the organs of hearing were much more perfect, unless our understandings were so too, we should commonly hear more things at once than we could attend to.

CHAP. VI.

OF THE SENSES OF SMELLING, TASTING, AND FEELING.

HIE fense of smelling is made by the effluvia, which are conveyed by the air to the nerves, ending in the membranes which line the nose and its lamellæ. In men these lamellæ are few, and the passage through the nose not difficult; hence fewer effluvia will strike the nerves, than in animals of more exquisite smell, whose noses being full of lamellæ, and the paffage for the air narrow and crooked, few of the effluvia escape one place or another; besides, their olfactory nerves may be more fensible. Fish, though they have no noses, yet in their mouths they may taste effluvia in the water, as furely those fish do, who seek their prey

in the darkest nights, and in great depths of water, there being more nerves disposed in their mouths than through their whole bodies beside, the optic excepted; and it seems as if it was done for this purpose; for the mere sense of tasting is ordinarily less curious in them than in land animals; in baiting eel-baskets, if the bait has lain long in water, it is seldom followed; but upon scarifying it afresh, which will make it emit new effluvia, it serves as a fresh bait. The sense of tasting is made in the like manner upon the nerves which line the mouth, as is that of feeling upon the nerves distributed throughout the body; of which I should speak more in this place, if I had not done it already in the chapter of the nerves.

T A B. XXXI.

- 1 The under side of the bladder.
- 2 The ureters.
- 3 Vasa deferentia.
- 4 Vesiculæ seminales.
- 5 The prostate gland.
- 6 Meatus urinarius.
- 7 A transverse section of the corpora cavernosa penis.
- 8 Corpus cavernofum urethræ.
- 9 Urethra.
- 10 Septum penis.
- The feptum between the corpus cavernosum urethræ, and that of the penis.
- The corpora cavernosa penis divided by the septum.
- 13 Corpus cavernofum glandis.









TAB. XXXII.

- 1 That fide of the uterus which is next the gut.
- 2 The fallopian tubes.
- 3 The fimbriæ.
- 4 Ovaria.
- 5 The mouth of the uterus.
- 6 Ligamenta rotunda.
- 7 The infide of the vagina.
- 8 The orifice of the meatus urinarius.
- 9 The glans clitoridis.
- 10 The external labia of the vagina.
- The nymphæ, which are continued from the præputium clitoridis.

T A B. XXXIII.

The parts of an hermaphrodite negro, which was neither fex perfect, but a wonderful mixture of both. This perfon was twenty-fix years of age, and in shape perfectly male.

A clitoris, when erected, almost as large as a

penis.

2 The glands of the clitoris.

3 Labia, or a divided fcrotum; in which were perfect testicles with all the vessels.

4 Nymphæ.

The entrance into the vagina, where were carunculæ myrtiformes.

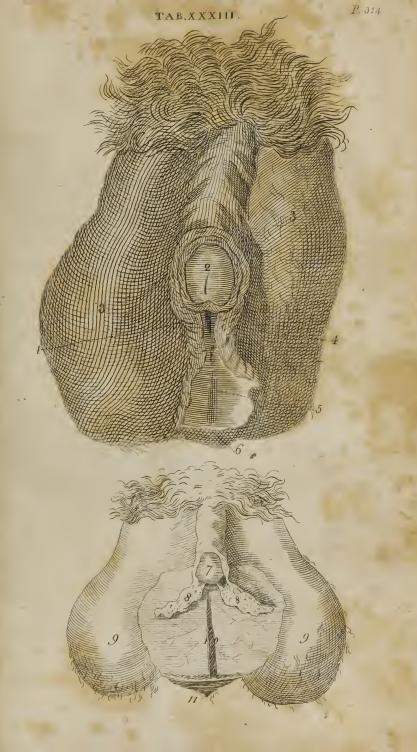
6 Furca virginis.

The lower figure represents another hermaphrodite, whose shape was rather semale than male, but too young to have semale breasts, or a beard, like a male, upon the face.

7 The glans clitoridis.

8 Nymphæ.

- 9 Labia with testicles in them, divaricated to shew the parts between, but in their natural situation very like the other, as the other when divaricated resembled this.
- 10 The entrance into the vagina.
- 11 Furca virginis.







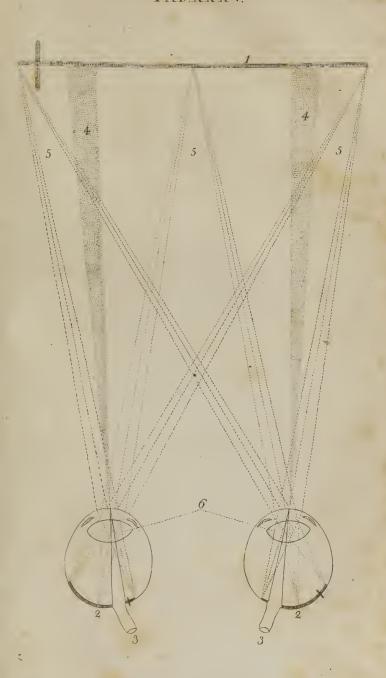


T A B. XXXIV.

- I The right ventricle of a fœtus distended with wax.
- 2 The right auricle.
- 3 The left auricle.
- 4 Branches of the pulmonary veins of the right lobe of the lungs, those of the left being cut off short.
- 5 The arteries of the left lobe of the lungs.
- 6 The vena cava descendens.
- 7 Aorta ascendens.
- 8 Arteria pulmonalis.
- 9 Ductus arteriosus.
- 10 The under side of a heart of a younger fœtus.
- 11 The right auricle cut open.
- 12 The cava descendens cut open.
- 13 Tuberculum Loweri.
- 14 The foramen ovale closed with its valve.
- 15 The mouth of the coronary veins.
- 16 The umbilical vein.
- 17 Branches of the vena porta in the liver.
- 18 Ductus venosus.
- 19 Branches of the cava in the liver.
- 20 Vena cava.

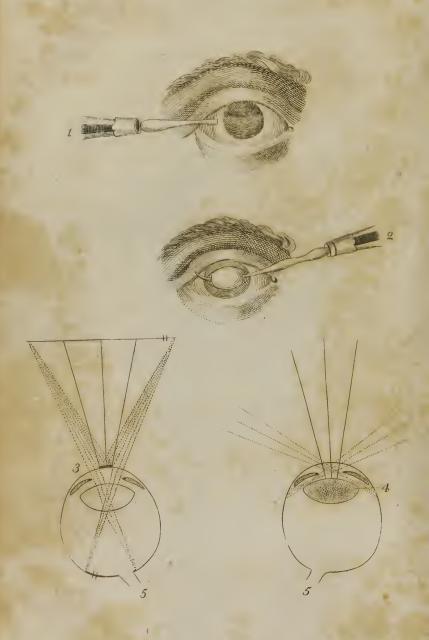
T A B. XXXV.

- 1 A cross for an object.
- 2 The object represented on the retina at the bottom of each eye.
- 3 The entrance of the optic nerves, in which place no object is represented.
- 4 Cones, within which all objects placed are dark to each eye, the rays from thence falling upon the entrance of the optic nerves; but that which falls upon the entrance of the optic nerve in one eye, can never fall upon the optic nerve in the other.
- 5 Pencils of rays from points of the object passing through the crystalline humour, where they converge, to meet in a point on the retina to form vision.







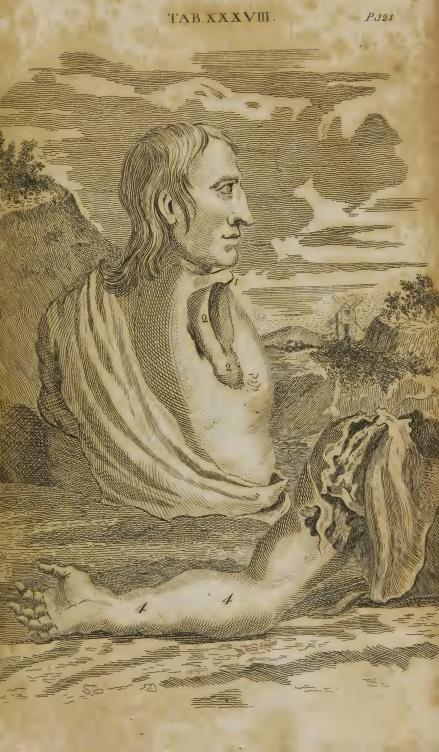


T A B. XXXVI.

- der the cornea before the iris, in order to cut an artificial pupil where the natural one is closed. This operation I have performed feveral times, with good success; indeed it cannot fail when the operation is well done, and the eye no otherwise diseased, which is more than can be said for couching a cataract. In this operation great care must be taken to hold open the eye-lids without pressing upon the eye, for if the aqueous humour is squeezed out before the incision is made in the iris, the eye grows slaccid, and renders the operation difficult.
- 2 A crooked needle passed through a proptosis of the cornea; the black line in the cornea incloses the piece to be cut out with a knife. The operation being thus done, the crystalline humour immediately falls out; and in a few days the lips of the wound unite. This operation is very useful, and attended with but little pain. I have done the same thing when the whole eye has been so enlarged that the eye-lids could not be closed, which has sunk the eye in the head; but this operation was attended with such violent pain that I cannot much recommend it.

3 Shews how an opaque scar upon the cornea, by obstructing part of each pencil of rays, makes a dimness of sight without a total loss.

4 Shews how a cataract or obstruction of the crystalline humour will obstruct the light which is before it. And how some sidelight may pass to the retina through the aqueous humour, but not being brought into a focus gives only a sense of light without vision.



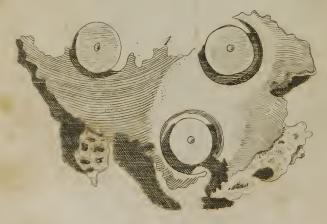












T A B. XXXVII.

- A bone taken out from the first process of the dura mater not far from the crista galli.
- 2 A bone taken out of the muscular part of the heart of a man.
- 3 The under fide of a bone taken out of a fractured scull.
- 4 The upper fide of a bone from the same scull, where the operation of the trepan had been thrice made. This girl was brought into the . hospital a week after the accident. I immediately opened the scalp, and let out about two ounces of grumous blood, and laid the scull bare about four inches one way, and three the other, and tied the blood vessels, that I might make the operation without much difficulty foon after. The fracture extended across the os bregmatis from the fagittal future to the temporal bone; that part next the os frontis was depressed equal to its thickness, and a great deal of extravafated blood, and fome matter, lay under the other part of the same bone. I made two perforations with the trephine, close to the fracture, that I might raife it up fleadily through both, and have more room for the extravafated blood to discharge from under the fcull, which had discharged before in

great quantity through the fracture. But nevertheless, ten days after the former operation, I was obliged to make another perforation to discharge the matter more freely; for, during a month, the matter ran through all her dreffings down her face twice every day, and was exceedingly fetid, and for the space of three months the matter decreased very little in quantity, but grew less and less offensive. September the thirteenth, the least of the bones was taken out; and on September the twenty-ninth, the large one; after which time the matter was good, and not too much in quantity. Each of these bones is through both tables, for the motion in the brain was feen, only fome little parts of the leffer bone remaining, a callus was formed from them; but where the great one came away there was no callus, only a common cicatrix; and besides these, many little bits of bone came away in the dreffings: She was foon after cured, and has remained well many years.

TAB. XXXVIII.

The figure of SAMUEL WOOD, a miller, whose arm with the fcapula was torn off from his body, by a rope winding round it, the other end being fastened to the coggs of a mill. This happened in the year 1737. The vessels being thus stretched bled very little, the arteries and nerves were drawn out of the arm; the furgeon who was first called placed them within the wound, and dreffed it superficially. The next day he was put under Mr. FERNE's care, at St. Thomas's hospital, but he did not remove the dreffings for fome days. The patient had no fevere symptoms, and the wound was cured by fuperficial dreffings only, the natural skin being left almost sufficient to cover it: which should in all cases be done as much as may be. About twenty years fince, I introduced the method of amputating, by first dividing the skin and membrana adiposa, lower than the place where the operation was to be finished, the advantages of which are now fufficiently known.

- I The end of the clavicle.
- 2 The cicatrix.
- 3 The fubscapularis muscle.
- 4 The cubit broke in two places.

T A B. XXXIX.

Represents the case of JOHN HEYSHAM, who, the Friday before Easter, in the year 1721, by overstraining himself at work, had a rupture of the intestines into the scrotum, which could by no means be reduced. He was brought into St. Thomas's hospital the Monday following, and I would have performed the operation immediately, but he refusing to submit, it was deferred till Tuesday morning, when, he being willing, I performed the operation, and making a large wound in the bottom of the abdomen, the intestines were easily reduced, and near a quart of water was discharged out of the fcrotum at the fame time. There had been a rupture of the omentum before, which being united to the fcrotum and spermatic veffels, I passed a needle with a double ligature (as is expressed in the plate) under that part of the omentum that adhered, so as not to hurt the spermatic vessels; then cutting out the needle, I tied one of the strings over the upper part of the omentum, and the other over the lower, and then cut off as much of it as was in the way. My reason for tying in this manner was to fecure the blood vessels, which, I think, could not be done fo well with one ligature, because of the largeness of









the adhesion and the texture of the omentum, which renders it too liable to be torn by such a bandage. Three days after the operation an erysipelas began in his legs, and spread all over his body, the cuticle every where peeling off; yet he recovered, and continues in a good state of health. After he was cured, at first he wore a small truss, but left it off in a short time, and now feels no inconvenience from it, though he lives by hard labour.

T A B. XL.

The case of MARGARET WHITE, the wife of JOHN WHITE, a pensioner in the Fishmongers and the sat Newington in Surry. In the Streeth year of her age, she had a rupture at he navel, which continued till her feventythird year, when, after a fit of the cholic, it morafied, and she being presently after taken with a vomiting, it burst. I went to her, and found her in this condition, with about fix and ity inches and a half of the gut hanging samised. I took away what was mortithe end of the found gut hanging me navel, to which it afterwards adrecovered, and lived many years the excrements through the inand though the ulcer was the mortification feparated, that The me was feen; yet they suces a very me protraded our at the wound, court it was about of her bed, and fat up

CHAP. VI.

A SHORT HISTORICAL ACCOUNT OF CUT-TING FOR THE STONE.

THE most ancient way of cutting for the stone is that described by CELSUS, which was indeed cutting upon the gripe, but in a very different manner from that operation in later ages, for he directs a lunated incision with the horns towards the coccyges, which was plainly that the gut might be pressed downwards to avoid wounding it, and then a transverse incision upon the ftone might be made fafely, but not in very young children, for want of room, nor after puberty, for then the proftatæ are too large to allow of this operation; therefore they did not usually cut any younger than nine years, nor older than fourteen. Afterwards, but when we know not, this operation was improved by cutting lower, and on one fide, which is the operation now called cutting on the gripe, or with the leffer apparatus.

In the year 1524, MARIANUS published the method of cutting by the greater apparatus, now commonly called the old way, but he owns it was invented by his mafter JOHANNES DE ROMANIS.

In the year 1697, FRERE JACQUES came to Paris, full of reputation for the fuccess of his new operation for the stone; he foon obtained leave to cut in the hospitals, where great numbers of his

patients

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patients dying, and being diffected, they were found with their bladders cut through, guts wounded, &c. which brought the operation into difgrace, as MERY and DIONIS have related, who faw these things. They say he performed the operation without any direction, and without any knowledge of the parts he was to cut; a thing not to be mentioned without horror! But of late his character has been fet in a very different light; and though it is more than probable he himfelf knew not what he did, yet there are now, who pretend to tell us exactly; though if their testimonies are to be regarded, who faw him operate, there is no place that he did not cut one time or other, and therefore he may have a fort of right to be called the inventor of any operation for the stone that can ever be performed in these parts. It is also owned that he fometimes had great fuccefs, which was enough to put others of that nation upon trying of it in a more judicious manner; but if there were fuch, failing of fuccess, they have concealed their experiments.

Mr. RAU of Amsterdam, who saw F. JACQUES operate, professed to do his operation with the necessary improvement of a grooved staff, which is JACQUES ever used, he surely learned that of RAU. He succeeded wonderfully; and if he, who was an excellent anatomist, may be allowed to understand his own operation, it was directly into the bladder, without wounding either the urethra

or the prostates: besides this, other competent judges, who were witnesses to his operations, have bore the same testimony.

In the year 1717-18, Doctor James Doug-LASS, in a paper prefented to the Royal Society, demonstrated from the anatomy of the parts, that the high operation for the stone might be practifed; which had been once performed by FRANCO injudiciously, and by him difrecommended, though his patient recovered; and afterwards strongly recommended, but not practifed by Rosser. Yet no one undertook it, till his brother, Mr. Joнх Douglass, about three years after, performed it, and with great applause, his two first patients recovering. Soon after, a furgeon of St. Thomas's hospital cut two, who both recovered; but the fame gentleman afterwards cutting two, who mifcarried by the cutting or burfting of the peritonæum, fo that the guts appeared, this way immediately became as much decried as it was before commended; upon which the furgeons of St. Bartholomew's hospital, who had prepared to perform this operation, altered their resolution, and went on in the old way. The next feafon, it being my turn in St. Thomas's, I refumed the high way, and cutting nine with fuccess, it came again in vogue; after that every lithotomist of both hofpitals practifed it; but the peritonæum being often cut or burst twice in my practice, though fome of these recovered, and sometimes the bladder

bladder itself was burst, from injecting too much water, which generally proved fatal in a day or two. Another inconvenience attended every operation of this kind, which was, that the urine's lying continually in the wound retarded the cure, but then it was never followed with an incontinence of urine. What the fuccess of the several operators was, I will not take the liberty to publish; but for my own, exclusive of the two before mentioned, I lost no more than one in feven, which is more than any one elfe that I know of could fay; whereas in the old way, even at Paris, from a fair calculation of above 800 patients, it appears that near two in five died. And though this operation came into universal discredit, I must declare it my opinion, that it is much better than the old way, to which they all returned, except myfelf, who would not have left the high way but for the hopes I had of a better; being well affured, that it might hereafter be practifed with greater fuccess; these fatal accidents having pretty well shewn how much water might be injected, and how large the wound might fafely be made. But hearing of the great fuccess of Mr. RAU, professor of anatomy at Leyden, I determined to try, though not in his manner, to cut directly into the bladder; and as his operation was an improvement of Friar JACQUES, I endeavoured to improve upon him, by filling the bladder, as Douglass had done in the high way, with water, leaving

leaving the catheter in, and then cutting on the outfide of the catheter into the bladder, in the fame place as upon the gripe, which I could do very readily, and take out a stone of any size with more ease than in any other way. My patients, for fome days after the operation, feemed out of danger; but the urine which came out of the bladder continually lodging upon the cellular membrane on the outfide of the rectum, made fœtid ulcers, attended with a vast discharge of stinking matter; and from this cause I lost four patients out of ten. The case of one which escaped was very remarkable; a few days after he was cut, he was feized with a great pain in his back and legs, with very little power to move them; upon which he turned upon his face, and refted almost constantly upon his knees and elbows above a fortnight together, having no ease in any other posture all that while; at length his urine coming all the right way, his wound foon healed, and he recovered the use of his back and limbs. I think all these severe symptoms could proceed from no other cause than the urine and matter somehow offending the great nerves; which come out of the os facrum to go to the lower limbs. I then tried to cut into the bladder, in the fame manner that Mr. RAU was commonly reported to do, but there had the fame inconvenience from the urine's lodging upon the cellular membrane on the outfide of the intestinum rectum. Upon these dis-

appointments, I contrived the manner of cutting, which is now called the lateral way. This operation I do in the following manner: I tie the patient as for the greater apparatus, but lay hims upon a blanket feveral doubles upon an horizontal table three foot high, with his head only raifed. I first make as long an incision as I can, beginning near the place where the old operation ends, and cutting down between the mufculus accelerator urinæ, and erector penis, and by the fide of the intestinum rectum: I then feel for the staff, holding down the gut all the while with one or two fingers of my left hand, and cut upon it in that part of the urethra which lies beyond the corpora cavernosa urethræ, and in the prostate gland, cutting from below upwards, to avoid wounding the gut; and then passing the gorget very carefully in the groove of the staff into the bladder, bear the point of the gorget hard against the staff, observing all the while that they do not feparate, and let the gorget slip to the outfide of the bladder; then I pass the forceps into the right fide of the bladder, the wound being on the left fide of the perinæum; and as they pass, carefully attend to their entering the bladder, which is known by their overcoming a straitness which there will be in the place of the wound; then taking care to push them no farther, that the bladder may not be hurt, I first feel for the stone with the end of them, which having felt, I open

I open the forceps and flide one blade underneath it, and the other at top; and if I apprehend the stone is not in the right place of the forceps, I shift it before I offer to extract, and then extract it very deliberately, that it may not flip fuddenly out of the forceps, and that the parts of the wound may have time to firetch, taking great care not to gripe it so hard as to break it, and if I find the stone very large, I again cut upon it as it is held in the forceps. Here I must take notice, it is very convenient to have the bladder empty of urine before the operation, for, if there is any quantity to flow out of the bladder at the paffing in of the gorget, the bladder does not contract but collapse into folds, which makes it difficult to lay hold of the stone without hurting the bladder; but if the bladder is contracted, it is so easy to lay hold of it, that I have never been delayed one moment, unless the stone was very small. Lastly, I tie the blood vessels by the help of a crooked needle, and use no other dreffing than a little bit of lint befmeared with blood, that it may not flick too long in the wound, and all the dreffings during the cure are very flight, almost superficial, and without any bandage to retain them; because that will be wetted with urine, and gall the skin. At first I keep the patient very cool to prevent bleeding, and fometimes apply a rag dipt in cold water, to the wound, and to the genital parts, which I have found very useful in hot weather

weather particularly. In children it is often alone fufficient to stop the bleeding, and always helpful in men. The day before the operation I give a purge to empty the guts, and never lest to give some laxative medicine or clyster a days after, if the belly is at all tense, or if the have not a natural stool. What moved me to try this way, if I may be allowed to know my own thoughts, was the consideration of women scarce ever dying of this operation; from which I concluded, that if I could cut into the urethra, beyond the corpora cavernosa urethra, the operation would be nearly as safe in men as women.

What fuccess I have had in my private practice I have kept no account of, because I had no intention to publish it, that not being fufficiently witneffed. Publickly in St. Thomas's hospital I have cut two hundred and thirtzen; of the first fifty, only three died; of the second fifty, three; of the third fifty, eight; and of the last fixty-three, fix. Several of these patients had the small-pox during their cure, fome of whom died, but I think not more in proportion than what usually die of that diftemper; these are not reckoned among those who died of the operation. The reason why so few died in the two first fisties was, at that time few very bad cases offered; in the third, the operation being in high request, even the most aged and most miserable cases expected to be saved by it; besides, at that time, I made the operation

lower, in hopes of improving it, but found I was mistaken. But what is of most confequence to be known is the ages of those who recovered, and those who died. Of these, under ten years of age one hundred and five were cut, three died; between ten and twenty, fixty-two cut, four died; twenty and thirty, twelve cut, three died; thirty and forty, ten cut, two died; forty and fifty, ten cut, two died; fifty and fixty, feven cut, four died; fixty and feventy, five cut, one died; between feventy and eighty, two cut, one died. Of those who recovered the three biggest stones were 3 xii, x1, and viii, and the greatest number of stones in any one person was thirty-three. One of the three that died out of the hundred and five, was very ill with a whooping-cough; another bled to death by an artery into the bladder, it being very hot weather at that time: But this accident taught me afterwards, whenever a veffel bled that I could not find, to dilate the wound with a knife, till I could see it. Now if JACQUES or others, who of late have been faid to have performed this operation, whether by defign or chance, did not take care to fecure the blood veffels, which as yet has not been supposed, whatever their dexterity in operating might be, their fuccess at least can be no fecret, for many of their children and most of their men patients must have bled to death. If I have any reputation in this way, I have

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I have earned it dearly, for no one ever endured more anxiety and fickness before an operation, yet from the time I began to operate, all uneasiness ceased; and if I have had better success than some others, I do not impute it to more knowledge, but to the happiness of a mind that was never ruffled or disconcerted, and a hand that never trembled during any operation.

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